

The Word of the Gospel Opens the Eyes of Faith and Fixes Them on Christ Jesus

The Lord called Abram (Abraham) to leave his home and go to a land that God would show him. He also promised to make of Abram "a great nation," to bless him and make his name great as a blessing to "all the families of the earth" (Gen. 12:2-3). "Abram went, as the LORD had told him" (Gen. 12:4), and in Canaan "he built an altar to the LORD and called upon the name of the LORD" (Gen. 12:8). He "believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness" (Rom. 4:3). Here the grace of God is manifested, that He "justifies the ungodly" (Rom. 4:5), not by works of the Law, but through faith in His promises. He removes all of our sins and lawless deeds through Jesus Christ, the offspring of Abraham in whom all the Lord's promises are realized. This forgiveness of sins is the Word of the Gospel, the voice of the Holy Spirit, which "gives life to the dead" (Rom. 4:17). It opens the eyes of faith to behold Christ Jesus, the Son of Man lifted up on the cross, "that whoever believes in him may have eternal life" (John 3:14-15).

SERVING US IN WORSHIP THIS WEEK

Preacher: Rev. Zachary DeArmond
Organist: Kim Woller
Elders: Thurs: Lee Roloff
 8:00am: Dennis Kutz
 10:30am: Matt Birr &
 Sean Malone
Comm.Asst.: 8:00am: Guy Stoltenburg
Ushers: Thurs: Team 7-Roloff
 8:00am: Team 1-Saeger
 10:30am: Team 2-Malone
Lay Readers: 8:00am: Julianne Boerner
 10:30am: David Betts
Acolytes: Thurs: Sam Greene
 8:00am: Audrey Hoogland
 10:30am: Makayla Butzlaff
Altar Guild: Dale & Lynn Wachholz;
 Karen Naumann & Judy Schmid
Greeters: 8:00am: Julianne Boerner
 10:30am: Carol Roeglin
Fellowship:

WEEKLY CALENDAR FOR FEB 27th-MARCH 8th

SAT 8:30am Men's Bible Study
 9:30am Handbell Rehearsal
SUN 8:00am Worship
 9:15am Education Hour
 10:30am Worship
MON 5:30pm Preschool Family Event
TUES 9:00am Ladies Bible Study
 6:30pm Women's Ministry Board Mtg.
WED 9:00am Quilters
 11:00am Lent Midweek Worship
 11:30am Midweek Lunch
 6:30pm Lent Midweek Worship
 7:15pm Choir Rehearsal
 7:15pm Confirmation
THURS 9:30am Bible Study
 11:00am Young at Heart
 6:30pm Worship
FRI 6:00pm Craft Night
SAT 9:30am Handbell Rehearsal
SUN 8:00am Worship
 9:15am Education Hour
 10:30am Worship
 6:00pm Youth Group

WORSHIP SERVICE AND BIBLE STUDY INFORMATION

MIDWEEK LENTEN WORSHIP: Join us each Wednesday during Lent at either 11am or 6:30pm as we continue with our series "For Us" and see the love of Jesus, for you, that leads Him to the cross.

SUNDAY SCHOOL for all 3 year olds through 8th grade begins each week at 9:15am in Oswald Hall.

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY: Each week we will look at the complete story of the Bible from Genesis-Revelation as one seamless story! We will meet at 9:15am in the Fellowship Hall.

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY is studying Paul's letter to the Corinthians every Tuesday at 7:00am in the Church Library. Please note that this is the same Bible Study that is offered on Wednesday evenings at 7:00pm.

LADIES' BIBLE STUDY meets on Tuesdays at 9am in the Fellowship Hall and is working their way through the series "The Chosen".

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

WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY is studying Paul's letter to the Corinthians every Wednesday at 7:00pm in the Church Library. Please note that this is the same Bible Study that is offered on Tuesday mornings at 7:00am.

THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY is taking a longer look at the readings on Thursdays at 9:30 am in the Fellowship Hall.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY meets on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays from 8:30am-10:00am and is studying "Grace, Period. Living in the Amazing Reality of Jesus' Finished Work".

CHARITABLE INFORMATION

FIRST QUARTER SPECIAL MISSIONS: Our first quarter special mission is supporting Concordia the Reformer Seminary in Palmar Arriba, Dominican Republic. Since 2017, the Seminary has focused on preparing men to be evangelists, shepherds and teachers. Some 50 men currently attend residential and online pastoral formation classes. The deaconess program has produced nearly 150 graduates. In addition, they offer online pre-seminary courses and a Lutheran teacher training program is planned. For more information visit <https://international.lcms.org/latin-america-caribbean>

SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFERING - PENNY CHALLENGE: Third quarter Sunday School offerings will be our annual penny challenge, and it will be providing support for Lutheran World Relief - Personal Care Kits. You may participate by dropping your donations in the bottles on the purple wall in the hallway- pennies and dollar bills are all positive points, and nickels, dimes, and quarters are negative points. We will also be collecting bars of soap, toothbrushes, nail clippers, and combs. To learn more about Lutheran World Relief please visit <https://lwr.org/>.

CHURCH INFORMATION

ALTAR GUILD: After many years of faithful service Janet Steinhaus is taking a step back from coordinating Altar Guild. We thank Janet for all her work in service to our Lord and his Church. Marianne Mundstock has

graciously offered to coordinate the efforts of the Altar Guild. If you have any questions about Altar Guild or would be interested in serving, please contact Marianne or Pastor DeArmond.

MIDWEEK MEALS: If you are willing to donate a soup or dessert for our Lenten lunches, please sign up on the bulletin board. Please note that this year we will not be having suppers before the 6:30pm service.

EASTER PLANTS: If you would like to purchase Easter plants to beautify our Altar for Easter Sunday, please see the signup sheet on the bulletin board. Many varieties, including lilies, tulips, hydrangeas, daffodils, and more are available. Orders are due by March 15th, and you'll be able to pick up your plants following the Easter Sunday Services.

CHILDCARE TEACHERS AND ASSISTANTS: Blessed Savior Lutheran Preschool is seeking compassionate individuals who are caring and loving to teach our children. We are in need of part-time classroom assistants in our 2K and our childcare classrooms. For more information or if you are interested please see Jennifer Leinss or email jleinss82@gmail.com.

PRESCHOOL ENROLLMENT: We are now enrolling for the 2026-2027 school year! If you have or know of anyone looking for 2K, 3K, 4K, or childcare, please contact Jennifer Leinss.

QUILTERS WANTED: We would love to have you join us for quilting on Wednesdays from 9am-12noon! Sewing experience is not necessary, and you can come as your schedule allows.

CEMETERY PLOTS: Blessed Savior has 2 burial plots at Highland Cemetery and 2 plots at Pinelawn Cemetery. If you would be interested in purchasing these plots from the church, please contact Terri Ratayczak at tratayczak@yahoo.com

COUNCIL MEMBERS: At our Voter's Meeting in May, we will be voting on Chairpersons for the following Council positions: Chairman, Education, Trustees, Evangelism, and Treasurer. If you would be interested in serving in one of these positions, please contact Jason Herried.

INSTANT CHURCH DIRECTORY: Now is a great time to make sure your information in Instant Church Directory is up to date, and to add a picture! For more information on how to update your information, please see the sheet in your family mailbox, or grab one off the table in the Narthex.

FELLOWSHIP HOUR VOLUNTEERS: We are looking for a few volunteers who would be willing to be trained on how to make coffee for Sunday mornings. If you are willing, please contact Jaime Greene.

SAVE THE DATE: Mark your calendars now! The Annual Women's Ministry Spring Salad Supper will be held on Tuesday, April 14th at 6:30pm. Tickets are \$15 and will go on sale in March.

YOUNG AT HEART: Please join us on Thursday, March 5th at 11am for a presentation on St. Patrick by David Wiedenkiller. Following the presentation, we will enjoy a sloppy joe lunch (or feel free to bring a lunch of your own to enjoy with us!). Please sign up on the bulletin board if you plan to attend.

CAMP LUWISOMO: Registration for summer camp at Camp LuWiSoMo is now open! Please visit www.luwisomo.org for more information on camps and how to register. Active members of Blessed Savior who are interested in attending camp can receive a \$150 scholarship from the church once they have applied. Please see Jaime Greene for a scholarship application and for more information.

GIRL SCOUT COOKIE BOOTH: Girl Scout Troop 1299, which uses our Fellowship Hall to meet twice a month, will be having a Cookie Booth in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, March 15th. If you would like to purchase cookies, please stop before or after 10:30am Church! Cookies are \$6 per box.

EASTER EGG HUNT DONATIONS: Our Annual Easter Egg Hunt for children ages 2-4th grade on Saturday, April 4th at 10am. We are currently looking for donations of individually wrapped candies, toys, and goodies to stuff in the eggs. Please place all donations in the bin in the Narthex.

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSIONS

We pray for our members:

Charles Boie Shari Schulz Vern Olenik Phillip Cataldo
Nadine Kutcher Linda Phillips Janice Schneider Linda Nehmer

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

John Esme Ellie Gabe Miles Cindy Ginny Phillip Tim

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

Corwyn Erika Carlos Mary Darren

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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday, 8am-4:30pm
If you need to contact the Pastor after office hours, please call the Church Office and follow the prompts on the phone.

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