

# Our Saviour's Lutheran Church

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## Church Mission

" Bringing Christ  
to the people...  
...the people to Christ "

## Church Slogan

Living, Loving,  
Leading, and Laughing;  
that's Our Saviour's  
Lutheran Church

## Our Ministers

The people

## Our Pastor

Rev. Dr. Mark Braaten

## Parish Administrator

Debbie Miller

## Financial Administrator

Carol Lattier

## Organist & Keyboardist

Jaeyong Lee

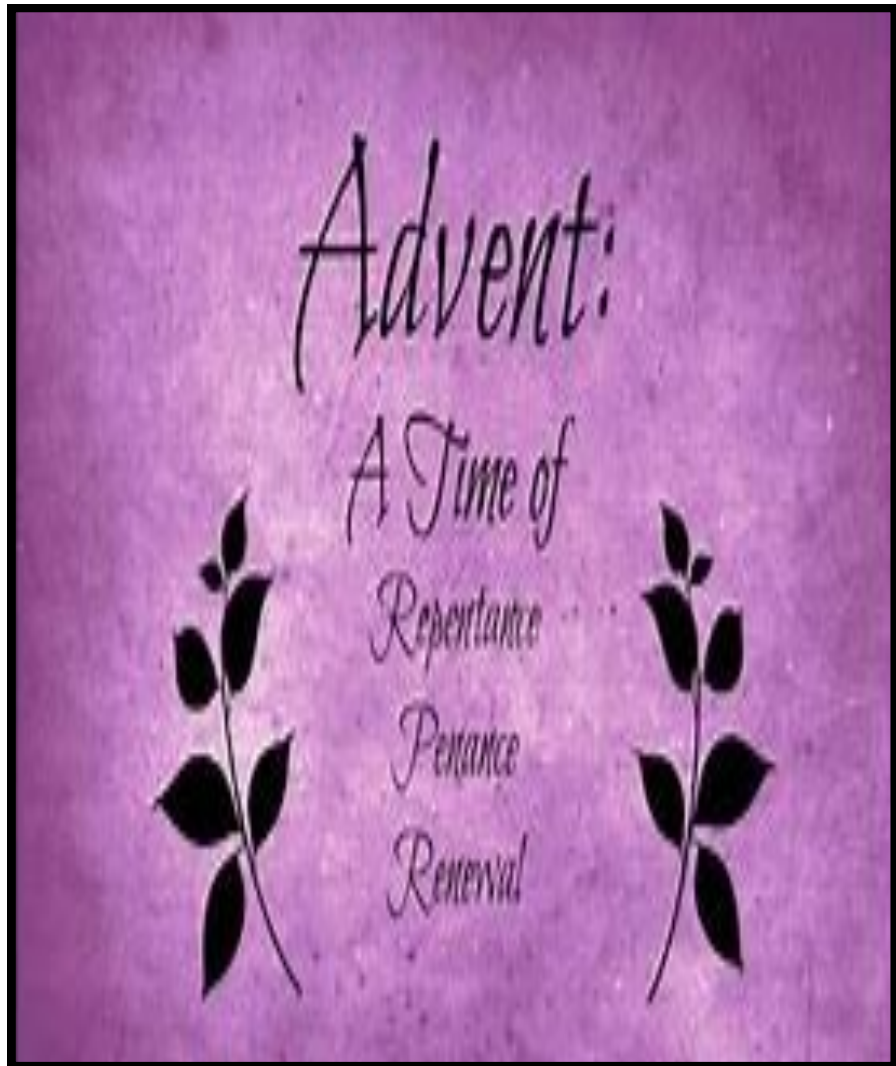
## Council President

Bill Videtto

## Member Goals

*As disciples of  
our Lord, Jesus Christ,  
we strive to grow in  
faith through daily prayer  
and bible reading,  
attending worship  
services, tithing,  
and serving others.*

**March 15, 2020**  
**Worship Service**  
**10:00 a.m.**





### **To Our Guests and Visitors**

Thank you for joining with us! We're glad you are here.

\* To find our nursery go to the Sunday School wing. The Nursery is just a few doors down this hallway.

\* We have activity bags for youngsters to use during worship. The bags include soft toys and coloring books. Please help yourself to a bag. Be sure to return it after worship.

\* We practice open communion. If you are baptized and desire to share in the body and blood of our Lord, please join us.

\* We begin communing children in the 5<sup>th</sup> grade. We offer a communion class to prepare 5<sup>th</sup> graders to receive this sacrament.

\* If you would prefer grape juice instead of wine for communion, there is grape juice in the center of the tray of glasses.

\* Following our worship service there is coffee and tea on the table in our café area. Please stay for some fellowship.

#### **WORSHIP SERVERS**

Lay Coordinator:	Connie Gibbs
Ushers:	Connie & Terry Gibbs
Acolyte:	Grayson Sartor
Reader:	Kristin Blaise
Communion Assistants:	Jana Coke, Amy Norris and Blaine Davis
Projectionist:	Toby Fite

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## THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

### March 15, 2020 — WELCOME!

It is a pleasure to worship together.  
If you are a newcomer, if you have a prayer request, or both,  
please fill out the yellow pew card located on the back of each pew.

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#### PRELUDE

*JAEYONG LEE*

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand

#### CONFESSION OF SIN

P: We are gathered together for worship in the name of the Father, and of the Son, +  
and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

P: In this season of reflecting on our sin and deep need for God's mercy and grace, let us  
examine our hearts and minds and ask for pardon for all the ways in which we have  
failed to be obedient to God's will for us.

*(Silence for self-reflection and examination)*

P: Holy God,

**C: You sent your Son, Jesus, into the world to save us from the power of sin, death,  
and the devil. We confess that we have failed in many ways to follow him in our  
lives. We have forsaken the poor and hungry, we have neglected the sick and sor-  
rowful, and we have looked out for our own needs rather than the needs of others.  
Forgive us, we pray, and restore us to a new and right relationship with you,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

P: We who were once dead in sin, following the course of this world rather than follow-  
ing our Lord have been loved with the great love of Christ — even when we were  
dead in sin, Christ granted us grace and new life in him. We have received the prom-  
ise of God that we will be raised up with him and seated with him in the heavenly  
places. Let us rejoice in the wondrous gift of forgiveness and mercy and share the  
immeasurable riches of his grace and kindness with all the world. (Ephesians 2:1- 7)

**C: Amen.**

## OPENING SONG ~ CHILDREN OF THE HEAVENLY FATHER

LBW 474

Children of the heavenly Father  
Safely in His bosom gather  
Nestling bird nor star in heaven  
Such a refuge ne'er was given

Neither life nor death shall ever  
From the Lord His children sever  
Unto them His grace He showeth  
And their sorrows all He knoweth

God His own doth tend and nourish  
In His holy courts they flourish  
From all evil things He spares them  
In His mighty arms He bears them

Though He giveth or He taketh  
God His children ne'er forsaketh  
His the loving purpose solely  
To preserve them pure and holy

### GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ who saves us through faith, the love of the Father who gifts us with every good gift, and the communion of the Holy Spirit who fills us with all wisdom, be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

### KYRIE

A: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

A: For the peace from above, and for our salvation,  
let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

A: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,  
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

A: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,  
let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

A: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: **Amen.**

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray. Almighty God, consider the worthy desires of your humble servants. Reach out to defend us from evil by the word and work of your majestic right hand. Grant this, we pray, through the same Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

## **BAPTISM OF BRODIE W. CHASE**

### **FIRST READING: EXODUS 17:1-7**

<sup>1</sup>All the congregation of the people of Israel moved on from the wilderness of Sin by stages, according to the commandment of the Lord, and camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. <sup>2</sup>Therefore the people quarreled with Moses and said, "Give us water to drink." And Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?" <sup>3</sup>But the people thirsted there for water, and the people grumbled against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and our livestock with thirst?" <sup>4</sup>So Moses cried to the Lord, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." <sup>5</sup>And the Lord said to Moses, "Pass on before the people, taking with you some of the elders of Israel, and take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. <sup>6</sup>Behold, I will stand before you there on the rock at Horeb, and you shall strike the rock, and water shall come out of it, and the people will drink." And Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. <sup>7</sup>And he called the name of the place Massah and Meribah, because of the quarreling of the people of Israel, and because they tested the Lord by saying, "Is the Lord among us or not?"

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

### **PSALM 95:1-9**

<sup>1</sup>Come, let us sing to the Lord;

let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

<sup>2</sup>**Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving  
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.**

<sup>3</sup>For the Lord is a great God,  
and a great King above all gods.

<sup>4</sup>**In his hand are the caverns of the earth,  
and the heights of the hills are his also.**

<sup>5</sup>The sea is his, for he made it,

and his hands have molded the dry land.

<sup>6</sup>**Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee,  
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.**

<sup>7</sup>For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.  
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

<sup>8</sup>**Harden not your hearts, as your forebears did in the wilderness,  
at Meribah, and on that day at Massah, when they tempted me.**

<sup>9</sup>They put me to the test,  
though they had seen my works.

### **SECOND READING: ROMANS 5:1-8**

<sup>1</sup>Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>2</sup>Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. <sup>3</sup>Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, <sup>4</sup>and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, <sup>5</sup>and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. <sup>6</sup>For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup>For one will scarcely die for a righteous person — though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die — <sup>8</sup>but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

### **CHILDREN'S SONG ~ I GOT A HOME IN GLORYLAND (DO LORD)**

I've got a home in Gloryland  
That outshines the sun!  
I've got a home in Gloryland  
That outshines the sun!  
I've got a home in Gloryland  
That outshines the sun!  
Look away beyond the blue.

Do Lord, oh do Lord,  
Oh do remember me.  
Do Lord, oh do Lord,  
Oh do remember me.  
Do Lord, oh do Lord,  
Oh do remember me.  
Look away beyond the blue.

## CHILDREN'S SERMON

Please stand

### LENTEN VERSE ~ WERE YOU THERE

LBW 92, v.3

Were you there when they  
pierced him in the side?

Were you there when they  
pierced him in the side?

Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble,  
tremble, tremble.

Were you there when they  
pierced him in the side?

### GOSPEL: JOHN 4:5-30, 39-42

P: The Gospel according to St. John the 4th Chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

Please look up the Gospel reading in your Bible.

*After the reading:*

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please Sit

### SERMON ~ PASTOR MARK BRAATEN

Please Stand

### HYMN OF THE DAY ~ MY HOPE IS BUILT ON NOTHING LESS

LBW 294

My hope is built on nothing less  
than Jesus' blood and righteousness;  
no merit of my own I claim,  
but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

*Refrain*

*On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;  
all other ground is sinking sand.*

When darkness veils his lovely face,  
I rest on his unchanging grace;  
in ev'ry high and stormy gale  
my anchor holds within the veil.

*Refrain*

*On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;  
all other ground is sinking sand.*

His oath, his covenant, his blood  
sustain me in the raging flood;  
when all supports are washed away,  
he then is all my hope and stay.

*Refrain*

*On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;  
all other ground is sinking sand.*

When he shall come with trumpet sound,  
oh, may I then in him be found,  
clothed in his righteousness alone,  
redeemed to stand before the throne!

*Refrain*

*On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;  
all other ground is sinking sand.*

### **THE PRAYERS**

A: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus,  
and for all people according to their needs.

*After each portion of the prayers:*

A: Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

*The prayers conclude:*

P: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray,  
trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

### **THE SHARING OF THE PEACE**

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

### **THE OFFERING**

### **OFFERTORY MUSIC**

*Please Stand*

### **THE OFFERTORY - THE DOXOLOGY**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.**

**Praise Him all creatures here below.**

**Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.**

**Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**



## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING ~ P. 89 LBW

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give him thanks  
and praise.**

P: It is indeed right and salutary . . . We praise your name and join their unending hymn:

C: **Holy, holy, holy Lord,**

**Lord God of pow'r and might:**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

P: In the night in which He was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to His disciples, saying, 'Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.'

Again, after supper, He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.'

## LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

*Please sit*

## DISTRIBUTION

*For those who prefer, the center circle of glasses contain grape juice.*

*Please return your cup in the basket on the aisle.*

## LAMB OF GOD ~ P. 92 LBW

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.**

Please stand

**COMMUNION SONG #1 ~ LORD, LET MY HEART BE GOOD SOIL**  
WOV 713

Lord, let my heart be good soil,  
Open to the seed of your Word.  
Lord, let my heart be good soil,  
Where love can grow and peace is  
understood.  
When my heart is hard, break the  
stone away.

When my heart is cold, warm it with  
the day.  
When my heart is lost, lead me on  
your way.  
Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart,  
Lord, let my heart be good soil.

**COMMUNION SONG #2 ~ I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE**

*Chorus:*  
*I am the Bread of Life,*  
*All who eat this Bread will never die*  
*I am God's love revealed.*  
*I am broken that you might be healed.*

All who eat of this heavenly Bread,  
All who drink this cup of the covenant;

You will live forever  
For I will raise you up. *Chorus*  
No one who comes to Me shall ever  
hunger again  
No one who believes shall ever thirst  
All that the Father draws shall come  
to Me  
And I will give them rest. *Chorus*

**COMMUNION SONG #3 ~ LORD, I OFFER MY LIFE TO YOU**

All that I am, all that I have,  
I lay them down before You, O Lord.  
All my regrets, all my acclaim:  
The joy and the pain,  
I'm making them Yours.

*Chorus:*  
*Lord, I offer my life to you.*  
*Everything I've been through*  
*use it for your glory.*

*Lord I offer my days to you.*  
*Lifting my praise to you,*  
*as a pleasing sacrifice.*  
*Lord, I offer you my life.*

All that I am, all that I have,  
I lay them down before You, O Lord.  
All my regrets, all my acclaim:  
The joy and the pain,  
I'm making them Yours.  
Things in the past, things yet unseen:

Wishes and dreams  
that are yet to come true,  
All of my hopes, all of my plans,  
My heart and my hands, are lifted  
to you.

Chorus

Bridge:  
What can we give that you have  
not given?

And what do we have  
that is not already yours?  
All we possess are  
these lives we're living.  
And that's what we give to You, Lord.

Chorus

Lord, I offer You my life.

Please stand

### **COMMUNION BLESSING**

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: **Amen.**

### **POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE ~ GLORY TO GOD**

*( Sung to the tune of "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee" )*

Glory be to God in heaven; peace, goodwill to all the earth.

Mighty God of all creation, Father of surpassing worth;

We exalt you, we adore you, we lift high our thanks and praise;

Saints and angels bow before you; here on earth our songs we raise.

### **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

P: Gracious God, you have fed us this holy meal of the bread of life and the cup of salvation. You have offered us forgiveness and mercy through the body and blood of Christ, and you have reconciled us to our heavenly Father. We give you thanks for these wondrous blessings, in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

### **BLESSING**

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

In the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

## **CLOSING SONG ~ GOD WHOSE ALMIGHTY WORD**

LBW 400, vs. 1-3

God, whose almighty word  
chaos and darkness heard  
and took their flight:  
hear us, we humbly pray,  
and where the gospel day  
sheds not its glorious ray,  
let there be light!

Lord, who once came to bring,  
on your redeeming wing,  
healing and sight,

health to the sick in mind,  
sight to the inly blind:  
oh, now to humankind  
let there be light!

Spirit of truth and love,  
life-giving, holy dove,  
speed forth your flight;  
move on the water's face  
bearing the lamp of grace,  
and in earth's darkest place  
let there be light!

### **DISMISSAL**

**P:** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C:** **Thanks be to God.**

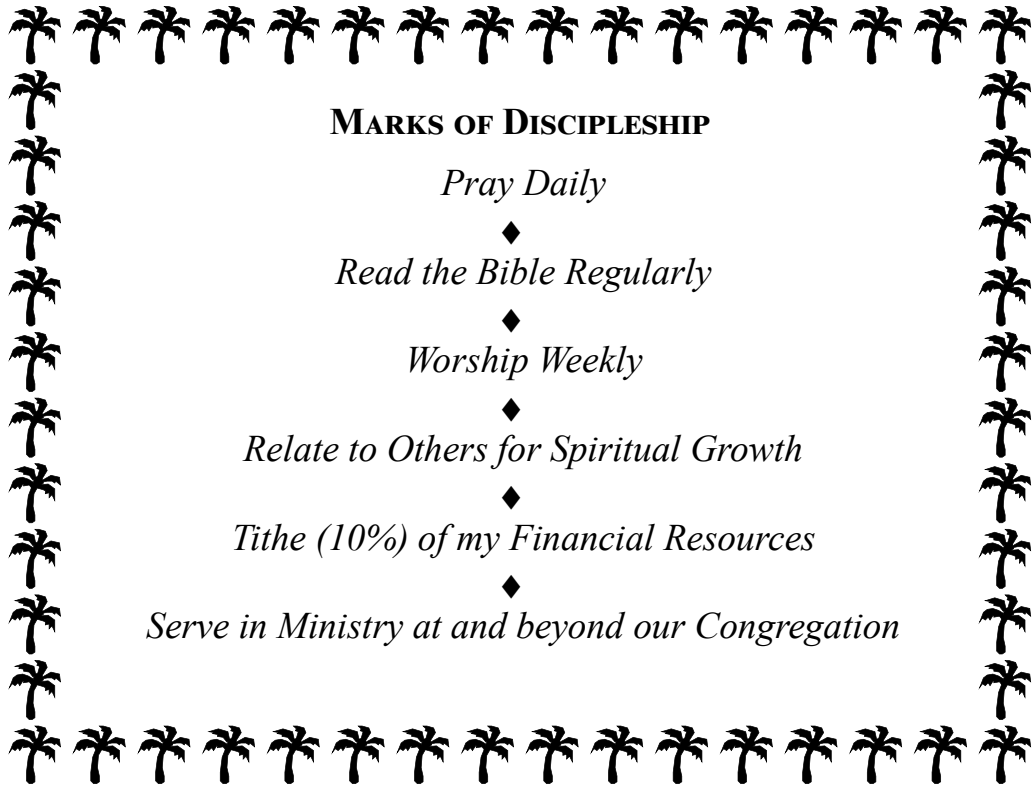
### **POSTLUDE**

**DR. JAEYONG LEE**

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**MARKS OF DISCIPLESHIP**

*Pray Daily*



*Read the Bible Regularly*



*Worship Weekly*



*Relate to Others for Spiritual Growth*



*Tithe (10%) of my Financial Resources*



*Serve in Ministry at and beyond our Congregation*



## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Midweek Lenten Activities**

We offer special Wednesday evening activities during the Lenten season. Here is our Wednesday schedule:

6:00 p.m. – Soup Supper – We share a simple meal of soup and salad. Please come for a time of fellowship and food. Also, please sign up to help with a supper!

6:30 p.m. – Congregational Prayer Time - Please mark this Lenten season by joining with others in prayer for our congregation.

7:00 p.m. – Lenten Worship - We begin with a study of the Small Catechism, then conclude with a simple Lenten service of confession of sin, prayers, and liturgy.

### **Stop the Bleed!!!**

STOP THE BLEED! The American College of Surgeons has trained over one million people world wide to stop bleeding in a severely injured person. This course empowers you to make a life and death difference when a bleeding emergency occurs. Sign up **NOW** by sending an email to [kpontious1494@gmail.com](mailto:kpontious1494@gmail.com). Course will be presented by CTMF ER staff Friday March 20 @ 1-2:30 pm at OSLC. No medical experience necessary. Go to [Stopthebleed.org](http://Stopthebleed.org) for more information. We need an attendance count by March 1 please.

### **Collecting Clothing for India**

Glory Gopinath is one of our members. She is originally from India. Her home area has a great deal of poverty. Glory is starting a project to send clothing to her home area. She will be leading a collection here at OSLC. We will collect gently used men's and children's clothing and then ship them to India. Please bring your donation to the church.

In addition, Glory has suggested purchasing new underwear (boys and girls-various sizes), colored pencils, pens, lightweight backpacks, and toothbrushes.

### **Adult Sunday School**

We are going to try something different for our Adult Sunday School Class. We are going to go topical – each week we will look at a different topic of faith. If you have some ideas you would like to address, please talk to Pastor Mark. Here is our upcoming schedule:

\*Today – Prayer

\*Sunday, March 22 – Baptism – we will look at question like - why do we baptize infants, why don't we have total immersion, etc.

\*Sunday, March 29 – How did the Bible Come to Be?

We will look at question like - Who decided what book are in the bible and

which aren't? Why is the Gospel of Matthew in the Bible but not the Gospel of Thomas?, Why do the Roman Catholic have more books in their Bible than Lutherans? This should be a fun class!

\*Sunday, April 5- The Role of Women in the Church – some denominations don't ordain women or even give them a vote in congregational affairs. We do. What does the Bible say?

### **Reception of New Members**

We will be receiving new members on Sunday, March 22.

### **Congregation-Wide Garage Sale – Thank You!**

Last Saturday was our congregation's garage sale. We had an incredible day. Thank you to everyone who donated and who came and shopped. A special thank you to Karen Braaten for all her working in heading this up. All proceeds from the garage sale will be used for our fund to help senior citizens and those in need in our congregation.

### **Baptism of Brodie Chase**

We rejoice to celebrate today the baptism of Brodie Chase. Through baptism Brodie becomes a member of Our Saviour's. In addition, Brodie's family is also joining today. We welcome into membership Diane Ballard, Florence Christian, and Sean M. Chase, Jr. We will have a reception following worship to celebrate. Please keep this family in your prayers on this special day!

### **Mockingbird Conference in Tyler**

Each year Tyler hosts a Mockingbird Conference, which is a marvelous three-day event of theology, worship, and music. This year the conference will be Friday, April 3 through Sunday April 5. It will be downtown Tyler. The theme for this year is – Take it Easy! Celebrating the God of Grace and Comfort. For more details please go to [www.mbirdtyler.com](http://www.mbirdtyler.com)

### **Next Sunday – Potluck Dinner**

Next Sunday we will have a potluck dinner after worship. We are receiving new members next Sunday, it will be a special day. We will continue the celebration with a potluck dinner.

**THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR (MARCH 15—MARCH 22, 2020)**

**THIS WEEK'S OFFICE HOURS: TUES. & WED. 10:00—2:00**

*IF YOU HAVE A NEED, PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE @ 903-561-1865*

**SUNDAY—March 15, 2020**

Sunday School 9:00 a.m.  
 Adult Bible Study 9:00 a.m.  
 Choir Practice 9:15 a.m.  
 Worship Service 10:00 a.m.  
 Youth 11:00 a.m.

**MONDAY**

No Activities Scheduled

**TUESDAY**

Quilters 9:00 a.m.

**WEDNESDAY—LENT**

Embroiderer's Guild 8:00 a.m.  
 Soup & Salad 6:00 p.m.  
 Prayer 6:30 p.m.  
 Worship 7:00 p.m.  
**Deadline for Newsletter Articles** 2:00 p.m.

**THURSDAY**

ACA Meeting 6:00 p.m.  
 CODA 6:00 p.m.

Reminder: No Thursday Morning Bible Study During Lent

**FRIDAY**

No Activities Scheduled

**SATURDAY**

No Activities Planned

**SUNDAY—March 22, 2020**

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 Adult Bible Study 9:00 a.m.  
 Choir Practice 9:15 a.m.  
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 Youth 11:00 a.m.

STEWARDSHIP		MARCH 8, 2020 WORSHIP	
Monthly Budget	<u>\$ 23,058</u>	Worship Service	112
February Offering	\$ 24,000	Year to Date Average	134
Prior March Offering	\$ 5,107		
Offerings during the week	2,840		
Offerings on Sunday, March 8	<u>4,349</u>		
Cumulative March Offerings	<u>\$ 12,296</u>		
Year to Date Offerings	<u>\$59,514</u>		