

# Lent | Fifth Sunday

6:30 pm March 14, 2024; 8:30 am & 10:45 am March 17, 2024

**New to COS?** If this is your first time at COS, please sign our guestbook:



### Kids Church

Rooms 100-104 after the children's message until the end of the 10:45 am service. Preschool-4th grade.

### Nursery

Room 101. Drop off either before the start of 10:45 am worship or after the children's message. Children are welcome to stay in the service too.

#### Hearing Assistance

The sanctuary is equipped with Williams Hearing Assist technology. Personal receivers are at the AV console.

# Hymn 693:1-4 O Gracious Lord, with Love Draw Near

### Stand

In the name of the Father and of the  ${\mathbb T}\,$  Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

- Holy God, gracious Father,
  - I am sinful by nature

and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.

- I have not loved you with my whole heart;
- I have not loved others as I should.
- I deserve your punishment both now and forever.
- But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins
- with his innocent suffering and death.

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

### Silence for meditation and reflection

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

### Hymn Response—693:5,6

O Father, grant that by your grace they may your will each day embrace, with fruits of faith their lives now bless, till they at death your name confess.

Then robed in white before your throne, your holy saints, by you foreknown, predestined, called, and justified, shall, crowned in light, be glorified.

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** 

### Prayer of the Day

Eternal God and Father, help us to remember Jesus, who obeyed your will and bore the cross for our salvation, that through his anguish, pain, and death we may receive the forgiveness of sins, victory over the grave, and finally inherit eternal life; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Be seated

### **First Reading**

Isaiah 43:1–7

<sup>1</sup>But now, this is what the LORD says he who created you, Jacob, he who formed you, Israel: "Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have summoned you by name; you are mine. <sup>2</sup>When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned; the flames will not set you ablaze. <sup>3</sup>For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior; I give Egypt for your ransom, Cush and Seba in your stead.

<sup>4</sup>Since you are precious and honored in my sight, and because I love you,
I will give people in exchange for you, nations in exchange for your life.
<sup>5</sup>Do not be afraid, for I am with you;
I will bring your children from the east and gather you from the west.
<sup>6</sup>I will say to the north, 'Give them up!' and to the south, 'Do not hold them back.'
Bring my sons from afar and my daughters from the ends of the earth—
<sup>7</sup>everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

### Sunday Solo Thy Will

### Second Reading

Philip in turn told Jesus.

<sup>7</sup>During the days of Jesus' life on earth, he offered up prayers and petitions with fervent cries and tears to the one who could save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. <sup>8</sup>Son though he was, he learned obedience from what he suffered <sup>9</sup>and, once made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him

#### Stand

### Gospel

<sup>20</sup>Now there were some Greeks among those who went up to worship at the festival. <sup>21</sup>They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, with a request. "Sir," they said, "we would like to see Jesus." <sup>22</sup>Philip went to tell Andrew; Andrew and

<sup>23</sup>Jesus replied, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. <sup>24</sup>Very truly I tell you, unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds. <sup>25</sup>Anyone who loves their life will lose it, while anyone who hates their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. <sup>26</sup>Who-

Hebrews 5:7-9

John 12:20-33

ever serves me must follow me; and where I am, my servant also will be. My Father will honor the one who serves me.

<sup>27</sup>"Now my soul is troubled, and what shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it was for this very reason I came to this hour. <sup>28</sup>Father, glorify your name!"

Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and will glorify it again." <sup>29</sup>The crowd that was there and heard it said it had thundered; others said an angel had spoken to him.

<sup>30</sup>Jesus said, "This voice was for your benefit, not mine. <sup>31</sup>Now is the time for judgment on this world; now the prince of this world will be driven out. <sup>32</sup>And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." <sup>33</sup>He said this to show the kind of death he was going to die.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise be to you, O Christ!** 

Be seated. The children are invited to the chancel steps for a message in the 10:45 am service.

### Hymn 813 He Will Hold Me Fast

### Sermon

### Stand

### **Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Be seated

## **Prayer of the Church**

# Offering

Offerings may be given via the QR code (cosrock.org/donate) or the plates at the entrance to the sanctuary.



## Hymn 708 Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Stand

# **Closing Prayer**

Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

### Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

### Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with favor and T give you peace. **Amen.** 

Hymn 518 Christ Be My Leader

# Announcements

### Adult Forum Topic

### 9:45 am Sundays

Adult Forum meets in the fellowship hall. It is discussion based. Our topics will expand on themes from the Wednesday Lenten Vespers series "Baptized into his Death."

### Ladies Bible Study—"What Does It Mean to Be Chosen?"

### 6:30 pm, Mondays, starting April

Join the ladies of COS as we watch and discuss season 1 of The Chosen. The format will be watching an episode and then discussing, "What does it actually mean to be chosen?" To answer that question, we're going Old school-Testament that is-which leads us back to the New, which always leads to Jesus.

### **Easter for Kids**

### 3:00 - 5:00 pm Sunday, March 24

We are hosting an Easter for Kids event on Sunday, March 24 at 3:00 pm. This vbsstyle event for kids in PreK-4th Grade includes Bible stories, crafts, snacks, and concludes with an indoor egg hunt. Online registration is available at cosrock.org/EFK.

We also need teen and adult volunteers to make this event possible. If you are interested in helping, please email Heather Hahm (cosrock\_staffminister@hotmail.com). We also need candy (imagine that) and plastic eggs. You can donate either individually or you can donate candy-filled eggs.

### Preschool Enrollment for 2024/25

Next school year COS Preschool will again be offering preschool for 3s and 4s, as well as Toddler Time. For more information visit cosrock.org/preschool or contact Linda Gauger (lindagauger@live.com, 616.866.0611).

### Camp Lor-Ray

Jn 30-Ju 2, 1st-3rd grs Jul 7-12, 4th-6th grs Jul 14-19, 7th-9th grs Kids Camp is coming at our WELS-ELS Camp Lor-Ray located near Michigan's Adventure, just north of Muskegon. Check out the registration info and volunteer staffing info at CampLor-Ray.org. Questions Camplorray@gmail.com.

# Announcements

### **Palm Sunday Worship**

6:30 pm Thursday, March 21; 8:30 am & 10:45 am March 24

On this weekend we join the throngs praising Jesus with "Hosanna." Worshippers all receive palm branches. Children in attendance will be invited to join the procession. Holy Communion.

### Holy Thursday Worship

6:30 pm, March 28

We gather around our Savior to worship him with the disciples in the Upper Room and to receive the Sacrament as we near the end of our Lenten journey. Holy Communion.

### Good Friday Tenebrae Worship

### 7:30 pm, March 29

Our annual Tenebrae worship is again on Good Friday. This service is structured around the Seven Word from the Cross. This moving service descends into the darkness as we ponder our Saviors dying love. Worshippers leave in silence.

### **Easter Worship**

### 8:30 am & 10:45 am Sunday, March 31

Easter is the most important Sunday of the year for Christians. Worship takes us to the empty tomb and invites our songs of praise to the risen Christ. There are two worship services to choose from, an earlier one at 8:30 am and a later one at 10:45 am.

### **Easter Breakfast Buffet**

### 9:30 am Sunday, March 31

The annual Easter Buffet will be available anytime from 9:30-10:30 am. Terrific food, seating in the fellowship hall; free will offering basket. Plan on spending part of your Easter morning by sharing a meal with your family of faith!

### **Easter Breakfast Volunteers**

Help is needed to make our Easter breakfast a success. We need help setting up and prepping food on Saturday, March 30 (9-noon) as well as help with serving and cleaning up on Easter Sunday morning. If you are willing to help, please speak with Heather Hahm or email at cosrock\_staffminister@hotmail.com

# this week @ COS

Sunday, March 17		arch 17	birthdays & anniversaries
	8:30 am	Worship	Brooke Dahlke
	9:45 am	Sunday School/Little Lambs/	
		Adult Forum	
	10:45 am	Worship	
	Monday, M	arch 18	Kacey Berry
	8:00 am	Men's Breakfast Bible Study	
	9:00 am	Preschool 4's	Tim Perkins
	9:15 am	Preschool 3's	
	6:30 pm	New Life in Christ Class	
Tuesday, March 19			
	9:00 am	Preschool 4's	
	9:15 am	Preschool 3's	
	6:30 pm	Church Council Meeting	
	Wednesday	/, March 20	Stephanie Gardner
	9:00 am	Preschool 4's	Ava Oswald
	9:15 am	Preschool 3's	
	5:30 pm	Confirmation Class	
	5:30 pm	Lent Supper—Soup & Sandwich	
	6:30 pm	Lenten Vespers Worship	
	7:15 pm	Choir Rehearsal	
	Thursday, <i>I</i>	March 21	Zach & Kallie Robinson [4]
	9:00 am	Preschool 4's	Lilly Duyck
	9:15 am	Preschool 3's	Jack Lydon
	6:30 pm	Worship	
	Friday, Mar	rch 22	Kristin Corcoran
	9:00am	Preschool 4's	Caleb Hampton
	9:15 am	Toddler Time	
	Saturday, N	Aarch 23	Lucy Schussler
	Sunday, Ma	arch 24	Jarrod & Teresa Herman [23]
	8:30 am	Worship	
	9:45 am	Sunday School/Little Lambs/	
	2 12	Adult Forum	
	10:45 am	Worship	
	3:00 pm	Easter for Kids	
	· •		

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church

4610 Belding Rd | Rockford MI 49341 (616) 866-1881 | cosrock.org

Pastor Tim Gauger m. (616) 581-3808 cosrock\_pastor@hotmail.com Morg Pastor Steve Hahm m. (225) 773-8399 pastorhahm@gmail.com



member church of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod Accompanist Abby McConnon Worship Leader Pastor Steve Hahm Soloist Stacey Beers Offerings Dave Perry Susan Perry Altar Guild Jill Weber Rebekah Becker Rosemary Winicki Laurie Marquis Snow Patrol Paul Becker

### 8:30 am

**Streaming** Paul Becker Andrew Becker

**Acolyte** Jake Lamborne

**Lector** Mark Hess **Usher** 

Mark Hess Chaz Varady **Coffee Set Up** 

Paul Becker Becky Becker

10:45 am Acolyte Landon Moore

Lector Ed Harris Usher Dan Moore Tim Perkins Coffee Clean Up Bill Castle Judi Castle

8