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this week @ COS

Sunday, March 11

2:00 am Daylight Savings Time Begins
8:30 am Worship
9:45 am Sunday School
9:45 am Middle & High School Study
9:45 am Adult Bible Study
10:45 am Worship
1:30 pm Preschool Dad's Activity
6:00 pm Youth Center

Monday, March 12

9:00 am Preschool 4's
9:15 am Preschool 3's

Tuesday, March 13

9:00 am Pastor Circuit Meeting*
9:00 am Preschool 4's
9:15 am Preschool 3's
6:30 pm Board of Elders Meeting

Wednesday, March 14

9:00 am Preschool 4's
9:15 am Preschool 3's
5:30 pm Catechism Classes
5:30 pm Lenten Supper
6:30 pm Lenten Vespers
7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, March 15

9:00 am Preschool 4's
9:15 am Preschool 3's
7:00 pm Worship

Friday, March 16

9:00 am Preschool 4's
9:30 am Toddler Time

Saturday, March 17

8:00 am Men's Breakfast Bible Study

Sunday, March 18

8:30 am Worship
9:45 am Sunday School
9:45 am Middle & High School Study
9:45 am Adult Bible Study
10:45 am Worship

*meets offsite

Lent | Fourth Sunday

March 8 & 11, 2018

worship notes



Welcome to Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church. This bulletin contains information about today's worship service and about our church. Please, take it home with you!

Season

Lent is 40 days long (the Sundays aren't counted). The number 40 has significance in both the Old and New Testaments, being attached to some of their most important historical events. For instance, the 40 days Jesus spent fasting in the wilderness while being tempted by the devil. By design the early church set its penitential season at the same length.

Series

The theme for our weekend worship services this Lent is "A Season of Sacrifice," as the First Lessons reference some of Old Testament Israel's sacrifices. So far we've seen hints of our Savior in Isaac's willingness to be sacrificed by his father, in Israel's daily sacrifices, and in their burnt offerings. Today we consider the Sin Offering.

Liturgy

Our liturgy for the weekends of Lent is based on the Divine Service II from the 2008 *Supplement* to our hymnal. It is musically simple and relatively unadorned. The exception is the Agnus Dei (Lamb of God) on page 5. The ancient text of the song is put to a recent melody to encourage our focused use of it this Lent.

Nursery

Nursery care during the 10:45 am service is in Room 101. Drop off either before the start of worship or after the children's message. Children are welcome to stay in the service too. Quiet Bags and Children's Bulletins are available at the Welcome Center.

Kids Church

Kids Church meets in Rooms 100-104 after the children's message until the end of the 10:45 am service. It is for children preschool-4th grade.

Hearing Assistance

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

Restrooms

Restrooms are down the hallway. Both have changing tables.

Get the App

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Livestream

The late Sunday service is livestreamed each week on our website. Past services are archived on the website as well.

Donate

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Bells

Welcome

Hymn 125:1-3 *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

Invocation

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

Confession

M: Dear friends, let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

C: **Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin.
For faithless worrying and selfish pride,
For sins of habit and sins of choice,
For the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do,
You should cast me away from your presence forever.
O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.**

Absolution

M: God our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. 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 Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

All:  **Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were a tribute far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.**

Hymn 125:4

Pastoral Care

When in need of pastoral care, please call the church office (616) 866-1881 or contact one of our pastors directly.

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news & happenings

Youth News

Sunday, March 11, 6:00—8:00 pm

Youth are invited to meet at the youth center for fun and fellowship. We'll be celebrating the first day of Daylight Savings Time with outdoor games and activities (still to be determined if snow gear will be required).

Sunday, March 25, 4:00—8:00 pm

Sign up today for a trip to Craig's Cruisers to enjoy their newly expanded facility including an indoor spinning coaster, new laser tag arena, and trampoline park. Additional details are included on the sign up sheet on the bulletin board or in the COS Rock app.

This Week's Lenten Supper

Wednesday, March 14, 5:30-6:15 pm

The menu for this week's Lenten Supper includes tacos and green salad. Freewill offerings are accepted. Seating is in the classrooms.

This Week's Lenten Vespers

Wednesday, March 14, 6:30 pm

We continue reading the Passion History according to Mark's Gospel at this week's Lenten Vespers. This week Mark 15:1-20, Jesus before Pontus Pilate. Lenten Vespers are typically concluded by 7:10 pm.

Easter Garden Flowers

Sunday, March 18

Every Easter Sunday the chancel planter is filled with spring flowers. You can again provide the beautiful blooms by signing up for tulips, lilies, hyacinths, and daffodils by Sunday, March 18. See the hallway bulletin board for the sign up sheet and for pricing. Remit the cost of your order via your offering envelopes labeling the other line "Flowers." You can also use our website's online donation page (cosrock.org/donate), which takes credit / debit cards or EFT's.

Men's Breakfast Bible Study

Saturdays, 8:00 am, narthex

The Men's Breakfast Bible Study is back on the weekly calendar. Come join your brothers for discussion of the scheduled Scriptures for the weekend's worship. Coffee and donuts provided.

WELS Church Locator

If you are headed south for Spring Break, WELS congregations throughout the sun-belt invite you to worship with them on Easter Sunday. Use the WELS app or wels.net to find locations and service times near where you are vacationing.

Closing Prayer

M: We give you thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet that you have give us to eat and to drink in this sacrament. Through this gift you have fed our faith, nourished our hope, and strengthened our love. By your Spirit help us to live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us as your guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Blessing

M: 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 (+) give you peace.

C: Amen.

Hymn 108 *Jesus, Refuge of the Weary*

holy week worship schedule



March 22 & 25
Palm Sunday 
7:00 pm, 8:30 & 10:45 am
*A Season of Sacrifice:
Israel's Day of Atonement*
Le 16:29-34; Pp 2:5-11;
Mk 11:1-10



March 29
Maundy Thursday 
6:30 pm
*A Season of Sacrifice:
Israel's Passover*
Ex 12:1-14; 1 Co 10:16-
17; Mk 14:12-26



March 30
Good Friday
7:30 pm
Tenebrae
Is 52:13-53:12



April 1
Easter Sunday
8:30 am & 10:45 am
He is Risen!
Is 25:6-9; 1 Co 15:19-26;
Mk 16:1-8

10:45 am

Kyrie

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

For a heart prepared to meet you, and a life that reflects our penitent hearts, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

M: For the certainty that comes from your forgiveness, and the strength to follow you to Calvary's cross, hear our prayer, O Christ,

C: **Christ, have mercy.**

M: For the blessing of the Spirit on our 40 day Lenten journey, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

M: Merciful God, the hope of all the faithful, be merciful to us and grant us peace.

C: Amen.

Prayer of the Day

M: Almighty God, we confess that we deserve to be punished for our evil deeds. But we ask you graciously to cleanse us from all sin and to comfort us with your salvation; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

First Lesson Leviticus 4:27-31

Second Lesson Ephesians 2:4-10

The Holy Gospel John 3:14-21

Children's Message

Hymn 391 *God Loved the World So That He Gave*

Sermon

Apostle's Creed

C: 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.

Offerings

Prayers of the Church

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Prayer of Thanksgiving

M: Blessed are you, O Lord of heaven and earth. We praise and thank you for sending your Son, Jesus Christ, and we remember the great acts of love through which he has ransomed us from sin, death, and the devil's power.

Invited by your grace and instructed by your Word, we approach your altar with repentant and joyful hearts. Strengthen us through Christ's body and blood, and preserve us in the true faith until we feast with him and all his ransomed people in glory everlasting.

C: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

C: 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.

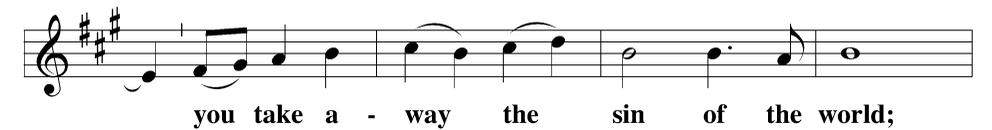
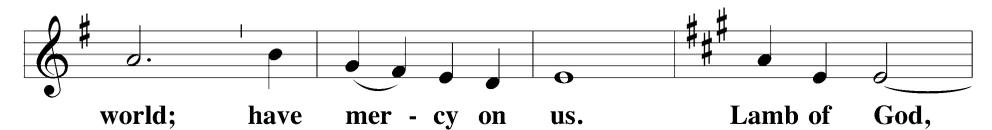
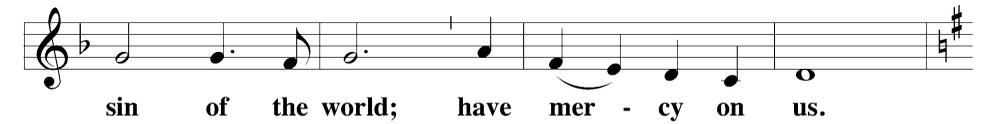
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.

Words of Institution

Agnus Dei



Distribution

Reception of the Sacrament at COS is restricted to those who share our confession of the doctrines of Holy Scripture. Our New Life in Christ course teaches those doctrines to newcomers desiring to commune here. Speak to Pastor Hahm about attending the next seminar this spring.