serving today

Organist	Kathy Marten
Worship Leader	Pastor Steve Hahm
Preacher	Pastor Tim Gauger
Off. Counters	Charlie Zebell
	Aimee Zebell
Altar Guild	Ruth Getzen
	Rebekah Becker
	Jill Weber
Sidewalks	Paul Becker

8:30 am

Bill Barrett

Ken Walski

10:45 am

Derek Rummel

Greg Winicki

	Rick Brancato	Andrew Kelly
	Thomas Becker	Ed Harris
		Dale Shaft
Acolytes	Noah Hahm	Alivia Oswald
Coffee Set Up	Arlene Walski	
	Ken Walski	
	Joyce Ketchum	
	Mike Ketchum	

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Nursery	Leslie Ruppel
	Addie Ruppel
Coffee Clean Up	Dale Shaft
	Kim Shaft
Follow Up	Greg Winicki
	Rose Winicki

this week @ COS

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

Monday, March 19

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

Tuesday, March 20

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

6:30 pm Church Council Meeting

Wednesday, March 21

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 22

9:00 am Preschool 4's 9:15 am Preschool 3's 6:30 pm Worship

Friday, March 23

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

Saturday, March 24

8:00 am Men's Breakfast Bible Study

Sunday, March 25

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 4:00 pm Youth Outing*

*meets offsite

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Lent | Fifth Sunday

March 15 & 18, 2018

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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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

Not much further now. We are five weeks into the season of Lent, and the goal of our 40 day journey is in sight. Next Sunday is Palm Sunday, the start of Holy Week.

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 learned about Abraham and Isaac, daily sacrifices, burnt offerings, and sin offerings. Today we will learn about the fellowship offering.

Liturgy

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Our liturgy for the weekends of Lent is based on the Divine Service II from the 2008 *Supplement* to our hymnal. You may have noticed that many Lutheran liturgies have some sort of Confession and Absolution built into them. The last line of the confession on page 2 is an excellent summary of true repentance: "O Lord, I am sorry for my sins" (contrition)... "Forgive me, for Jesus' sake" (faith in Christ's righteousness). May today's worship help us continue to live lives of repentance under the cross.

Bells

Welcome

Hymn 397:1-4 Just As I Am, without One Plea

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: Just as I am, thou wilt receive,
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;
Because thy promise I believe,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am; thy love unknown
Has broken ev'ry barrier down.
Now to be thine, yea, thine alone,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Hymn 397:5-6

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. Today is the deadline. 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.

Final Lenten Supper

Wednesday, March 21, 5:30-6:15 pm

The menu for this week's Lenten Supper is breakfast foods. Freewill offerings are accepted. Seating is in the classrooms.

Final Lenten Vespers

Wednesday, March 21, 6:30 pm

We conclude our reading of the Passion History according to Mark's Gospel in the sixth and final Lenten Vespers of the season. This week's account is Mark 15:21-46, the crucifixion and death of Jesus.

Youth News

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 bulletin board or in the COS Rock app.

Holy Week Catechism Classes Schedule

Confirmation classes return to their 6:00-7:00 pm schedule on Wednesday, March 28. They will not meet on April 4 because of Spring Break.

Holy Week Choir Rehearsal

Choir rehearsal will rehearse during Holy Week after the Maundy Thursday service instead of it usual Wednesday date.

Men's Breakfast Bible Study

Saturdays, 8:00 am, narthex

Come join your brothers for discussion of the scheduled Scriptures for the weekend's worship. Coffee, donuts, and a little NCAA Tournament talk provided.

WELS Church Locator

If you are headed south for Spring Break, WELS congregations throughout the sunbelt 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.

news & happenings

3 Year Financial Plan Progress Report

Thursday, March 22 & Sunday, March 25

This month our congregation is passing a noteworthy milestone in our 3 Year Financial Plan for Facility Expansion and Renovation. What that is, together with a progress report, and glimpse of what's next will be provided after each of next weekend's worship services. There will also be special donuts to celebrate God's goodness to COS during the fellowship time between the Sunday services.

Easter Breakfast Buffet

Sunday, April 1, 9:30-10:30 am

The annual Easter Breakfast Buffet is served between the worship services on Easter Sunday. This informal fellowship meal is a cherished tradition at COS and the perfect way to celebrate the resurrection with your church family and friends. Cost is freewill. The chancel Easter garden also will be open for family photos and selfies! Be sure to share them with cosrock_staffminister@hotmail.com so that the hallway photo directory can be updated.

Easter Egg Hunt

Sunday, April 1, 10:15 am

The annual Easter Egg Hunt for smaller children will take place on the lawn on the east side of the building.

Vacation Bible School

June 18-21, 9:30 am - 12:00 pm

Register your five year-old through fifth grader at cosrock.org/learn/children/vbs. This year's theme is comes from the 500th anniversary of the Reformation: "Mighty Fortress—In Jesus, the Victory Is Won!"

Today, Tomorrow & Forever

The pledge portion of the Today, Tomorrow & Forever (TT&F) Capital Campaign has ended. Pledge forms—even those pledging zero—, however, are still welcomed. 100 COS member households (53%) have pledged \$511,445. 75% of COS households turning pledge forms in remains our campaign goal.



We are now in the remittance portion of the campaign. Through the end of February \$224,978 of the total pledged has been received. The funds are paying down our mortgage according the 3 Year Financial Plan for Facility Expansion & Renovation we've committed ourselves to.

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, 0 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: 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 forgiveness of sins and 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.

C: Amen.

First Lesson Leviticus 7:11-17

Second Lesson Hebrews 5:7-9

The Holy Gospel John 12:20-33

10:45 am Children's Message

Hvmn 256 How Great Thou Art

Sermon

Apostle's 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.

Offerings

Prayers of the Church for Lent p. 125

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,

vour 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 (+) give you peace.

C: Amen.

Hymn 114:1,6-7 Christ, the Life of All the Living **Pastoral Care** When in need of pastoral care, please call the church office (616) 866-1881 or contact one of our pastors directly. Pastor Steve Hahm m. (225) 773-8399 pastorhahm@gmail.com

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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 30 **Good Friday** 7:30 pm Tenebrae Is 52:13-53:12 April 1

Easter Sunday

March 29

6:30 pm

A Season of Sacrifice:

Maundy Thursday

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

In Our Pravers

Prayer requests for inclusion in the worship services' Prayers of the Church are made via the Prayer Page at the Welcome Center in the narthex.

The prayer list below is updated by the pastoral staff based on the information they have at the time of publication.

For Ministries

- To the grieving
- Preschool staffing for Fall 2018

For Missions

- WELS Indonesia
- Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church in LaPorte IN

For General Concerns

- Peace among nations
- God's care for loved ones near and far

In Thanks to God

- For the 25 years of marriage enjoyed by Brad & Kathy Clark
 - For the continued work of the Gospel in Word and Sacraments among us

For Continuing Treatment / Care

- Daniel Stanhope, son of George and brother of Jennifer Jendritz
- James Hahm, cousin of Pastor Hahm
- Iames Eastman, father of Liz Harris
- Chuck Thornton, father of Susan Perry
- Judy Nicklesburg
- Karen Fuelleman
- Marcia Oliver
- Heather Hahm

For Those Who Mourn

- For Phyllis Kapp
- For Jonathan Brussow, especially his family, parents Brad & Carolyn, siblings Alex & Allison

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