



Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church

March 12, 2023

Midweek Lenten Worship

Wednesdays @ 6:30 p.m.

“I believe that by my own understanding or strength I cannot believe in Jesus Christ my Lord or come to him....” Explanation to Third Article of the Apostles’ Creed from Luther’s Small Catechism

Because we are human beings, it is second nature for us to trust in nothing other than our own understanding or strength. Yet time and time again that impulse leads us astray and we move through life feeling isolated, empty, and disillusioned. Our faith tradition makes space for acknowledging that there is an enormous gap between our



Lent

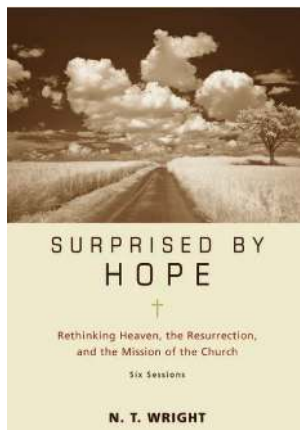
best intentions and God’s loving desire for creation. Claim a time of respite in life and in your spiritual journey and join us for Midweek Lenten Worship. Come and receive rest for your soul and a word of grace.

Lent Study Offered - ONLY WEDNESDAYS

Wednesdays @ 2:00 p.m.

Being a people of faith means that we are people of faith, not certainty. And the more that Christians strive for certainty, the more we fall into the idolatry of crediting faith to our willpower, and risk forgetting God altogether. As people of faith, doubt and questioning are part of the territory we inhabit and learning to accept the tension that comes with such a life is part of our Christian faith and our own spiritual journey.

In the seasons of Lent and Easter, in which we avail ourselves to honest speech that acknowledges our need for God and God’s mercy, time is set aside for reckoning with doubt and questioning. Won’t you participate in a time of reflection in these upcoming weeks? Join Pastor Michael Anderson in an engagement with biblical scholar N.T. Wright’s work, “Surprised by Hope: Rethinking Heaven, the Resurrection, and the Mission of the Church.”



Classes are offered in person on Wednesdays at 2:00 p.m.

Participant guides:

[Get the participant guide Kindle edition here](#)

[Get the hardcopy participant guide here](#)

A small number of hardcopy participant guides will be available in the church office beginning Ash Wednesday.

Easter Pastry-Palooza

**Eat Pastries, Celebrate Jesus’ Resurrection!
Easter Sunday, April 9**

What do pastries have to do with the Resurrection of our Lord?

Well, technically speaking, nothing.

But, Jesus’ resurrection is worthy of celebration, so let’s celebrate! Let’s put the *feast* in *festival*!



On Easter Sunday, before you head off to your family celebrations and observances, won’t you participate in a resurrection celebration with your faith community? Help Christ Our Savior offer a celebration buffet fit for this holy day – a *Pastry Palooza* - by sharing your most cherished pastry

(or dessert) with your faith community.

Store bought and homemade items are all welcome. To help us prepare for the day, just pop over to SignUp Genius or click [HERE](#) to add your name to the list so we can know what to expect. We look forward to celebrating Easter with you!

Dinner and a Show

Saturday, March 25

Please plan to attend our first ever COS Dinner/Cabaret Show on Saturday, March 25th. Dinner will begin at 5:00 p.m. with your choice of steak or chicken. Dinners include a baked potato and salad bar. Tickets for this event are \$15 per person and include the dinner and show. The show will start at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Bring the entire family, friends and neighbors for an evening of delicious dinner and wonderful entertainment as past and present COS singers and friends present popular music from today and yesterday!! Tickets

will be available after services. A free will bake sale will happen at intermission. Can't wait to see you there. Proceed to Sussex Outreach Services. Contact Tom Ludorf for more information at louiemanger@yahoo.com



Click [HERE](#) to donate bake sale items.

8:30 a.m.
 ALTAR GUILD: volunteer needed
 BREAD BAKER: Linda Mengel
 COMM ASSTS:
 bread (b) (b) volunteer needed
 cups (c) (c) volunteer needed
 LECTORS: volunteer needed
 USHERS: Sam Mayek
 COUNTERS: Barry Brown & Jim Leary
 WEEKLY FOOD PANTRY DELIVERY: Donna Eastlund
 OFFICE RECYCLING: John McMahon
 FELLOWSHIP TIME Goodies: volunteer needed
 ETERNAL CANDLE - *sign up in the narthex to sponsor the eternal candle.*
 ALTAR CANDLE - *sign up in the narthex to sponsor the altar candle.*
 MISSION CANDLE - *sign up in the narthex to sponsor the mission candle.*
 ALTAR FLOWERS *sign up in the narthex to sponsor the altar flowers.*

10:00 a.m.
 Kristi Klemencic
 (b) Kathy Strand
 (c) Giuliana Salerno
 Greg Peterson
 Barry Brown

6:00 p.m.
 volunteer needed
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 (c) volunteer needed
 volunteer needed

Flower & Candle Sponsor Sheets

To sponsor flowers and candles, please sign up on the board in the narthex.



How Do I Increase My Direct Deposit Contributions?



Simply email Sandy in the office at office@coslc.com and let her know what you would like changed.

Hygiene Items for Bread of Healing Clinic

During Lent, we'll be collecting hygiene items for men and women for the Bread of Healing Clinic at Cross Lutheran Church in Milwaukee. Hygiene items needed include full-size shampoo, toothbrushes, full-size toothpaste, soap, razors, and deodorant. Please place the hygiene items in the bins in the narthex.

Hygiene Drive During Lent



Needed Items:

- Shampoo
- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste
- Soap
- Razors
- Deodorant

Purchase Your Easter Flowers!

Deadline to Order is Sunday, April 2nd
 COS is offering beautiful Easter Lilies to help beautify our church and your home this Easter season. Offered is a single-stem lily, in a 6" pot and only \$15.00 each! Flowers can be placed in memory of a loved one or in celebration of a special occasion. The plants can be taken home after the last worship service on Easter Sunday. Order as many as you wish!

Please use the "Easter Lilies" envelopes by the sign-up sheet for payment.



A Dollar a Day for the Hungry

Did you know that 1/3 of the world's population struggles to survive on the equivalent of \$2 a day? During Lent each year we challenge all of our members to set aside \$1 a day to feed those who struggle to get by. For most of us \$1 a day is hardly a sacrifice. If that's the case for you, you are welcome to give more. \$1 a day guarantees 2 nutritionally complete meals a day for those who receive help through the ELCA hunger appeal and Lutheran World Relief. Both organizations have less than 1% overhead, so every dollar we send goes to direct food aid. Imagine the difference you can make!

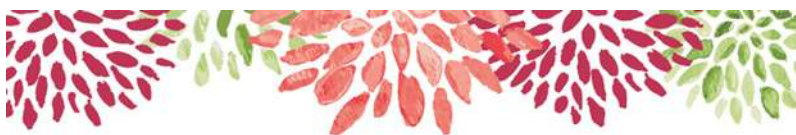
You can bring your \$1 a day gift to church on Holy Week or send it in. Join the rest of us in making the miracle of life happen.

Hunger Offering



Thrivent Choice Dollars

Many Thrivent policy holders receive a benefit of Thrivent Choice Dollars which are funds your policies generate that you can designate to support your church. This money comes from Thrivent, not you, and does not reduce the value of your holdings. This needs to be done **before the end of March**. If you have Thrivent policies and want to explore how to do this, you can call your Thrivent representative.



FESTIVAL OF FLOWERS

When: Wednesday, March 15, 2023

Location: Waukesha Floral & Greenhouse, 319 S Prairie Ave, Waukesha, WI 53186

Time: ~~10 am~~ and 1 pm Luncheon Seatings (11 am Sold out, please call to join the waitlist)

Event: Features beautiful and entertaining floral demonstrations by the Waukesha Floral & Greenhouse designers plus a boxed lunch

Tickets: \$40 per person

Register at Eras.org or call (262) 522-2404

