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## Lent 5

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**Wednesday, April 9, 2025**  
**12 noon & 6:30 pm**

Our Savior's Lutheran Church, ELCA  
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***"Our mission is to make the love of Christ known  
to all as we worship, serve and grow together."***

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All are welcome in this church! The Good News of God's grace is for all, regardless of age, abilities, physical & mental health, race, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, education, income or strength of faith. There is nothing we do, have done or will do that can separate us from the love of God.

God makes no exceptions, nor do we. Come join us in praise, prayer and the work of our Lord, including ongoing work for racial equity in our Church and in the world.

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**Welcome, visitors! We're glad you are here!** We hope your time with us is a blessing, and that you will come back soon.

**We would like to be in touch with you! Visitors**—please use the Live Stream 'Attendance Info Form ([www.allarewelcome.org](http://www.allarewelcome.org) under the Live Stream tab) today. **Members**—you only need to fill them out once a year when you receive Holy Communion. **In addition**, use the form for prayer requests, hymn requests, to get the monthly newsletter, to give us address changes, or for any communication with the office or pastor.

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If you need **assistance with the live stream**, please call 608.782.3468 or join us on the phone live stream at 1.877.552.3468 (toll-free).

**+FOR OUR WORSHIP TODAY+**

**Presiding Minister:** Pastor Joanne Richmond

**AV Ministry (6:30pm):** Gary Wold

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

## GREETING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

## KYRIE

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

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

**Lord, have mercy.**

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.

**Lord, have mercy.**

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

**Lord, have mercy.**

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

**Amen.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

We give thanks to you, holy God, through Jesus Christ your dear Son, that you are graciously protecting us this day. We ask you to forgive us all our sins, where we have done wrong, and graciously to protect us tonight. Into your hands we commend ourselves: our bodies, our souls, and all that is ours. Let your holy angels be with us, so that the wicked foe may have no power over us.

**Amen.**

## CATECHISM – THE LORD’S PRAYER

### THE CONCLUSION

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

*What does this mean?*

That I should be certain that such petitions are acceptable to and heard by our Father in heaven, for he himself commanded us to pray like this and has promised to hear us. “Amen, amen” means “Yes, yes, it is going to come about just like this.”

**SERMON** Pastor James Radatz (12 noon)/Pastor Joanne Richmond(6:30pm)

### CORPORATE CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.  
For self-centered living, and for failing to walk with humility and gentleness:  
**Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.**

For longing to have what is not ours, and for hearts that are not at rest with ourselves:  
**Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.**

For misuse of human relationships, and for unwillingness to see the image of God in others:  
**Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.**

For jealousies that divide families and nations, and for rivalries that create strife and warfare:  
**Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.**

For reluctance in sharing the gifts of God, and for carelessness with the fruits of creation:

**Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.**

For hurtful words that condemn, and for angry deeds that harm:

**Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.**

For idleness in witnessing to Jesus Christ, and for squandering the gifts of love and grace:

**Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. Through the Holy Spirit God cleanses us and gives us the power to proclaim the mighty acts of the one who called us out of darkness into his marvelous light. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Led by the Spirit, let us turn to God in prayer for the church, the world, and all those in need.

Holy God, your Church longs for your guidance as we seek to do your will in the world. Open our eyes to see the people and places needing our care; open our minds to understand the breadth of your desires for all; open the hearts of our leaders, guiding them to strengthen established ministries and search for new opportunities.

God in your mercy,  
**hear us as we pray.**

Creator God, as our days grow longer and the sun warms the soil, be with those whose work it is to feed the world. Bless our farmers with both rain and dry weather; protect migrant workers; protect the earth from mismanagement and overuse.

God in your mercy,  
**hear us as we pray.**

Sovereign God, we pray for all leaders in any positions of government or political power around the world. Open their eyes to see the needs of the people they serve, particularly those living in the margins of society or the outskirts of power.

God in your mercy,  
**hear us as we pray.**

Loving God, bring healing and comfort to those who are sick, grieving, or hurting. Let them feel Your presence and peace.

God, in your mercy,  
**hear us as we pray**

Receive the prayers of your people and draw all things together in your love, in the name of Jesus, who leads us from death to life.  
**Amen.**

## **PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

## **DIALOGUE**

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

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Blessed are you, O God of the universe.  
Your mercy is everlasting  
and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth.  
Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood.  
Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea.  
Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness  
to the land of milk and honey.  
Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one.  
Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ.  
Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

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.

With this bread and cup  
we remember our Lord's passover from death to life  
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

With your holy ones of all times and places,  
with the earth and all its creatures,  
with sun and moon and stars,  
we praise you, O God,  
blessed and holy Trinity,  
now and forever.

**Amen.**

## **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.**

## **COMMUNION**

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

O God, in this holy communion you have welcomed us into your presence, nourishing us with words of mercy. Strengthen us to love you with all our heart, serve our neighbors with a willing spirit, and honor the earth you have made; through Christ our Savior.  
**Amen.**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **BLESSING**

Almighty God, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.  
**Amen.**



## **DISMISSAL**

Go forth into the world to serve God with gladness;  
be of good courage;  
hold fast to that which is good;  
render to no one evil for evil;  
strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak;  
help the afflicted; honor all people;  
love and serve God, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.  
**Thanks be to God.**

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## **YOU'RE INVITED—PALM SUNDAY BREAKFAST**

**Sunday, April 13, 2025, 10:15am—Fellowship Hall**

The Youth & Family Ministry Team will be hosting their annual breakfast with egg bakes, sausage, fresh fruit, juice, milk, and coffee. The cost is a free will offering. Proceeds benefit youth and family events throughout the year. Come celebrate and enjoy a delicious breakfast while supporting our youth!

## **PALM SUNDAY BREAKFAST SETUP - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

We are looking for volunteers to help set up for our Palm Sunday Breakfast! If you're able to lend a hand, please join us this **Saturday, April 12** at **10am** in the Fellowship Hall kitchen. Your help will ensure everything is ready for this special celebration.

Everyone is welcome, and any time you can give is appreciated!

Looking forward to seeing you there!

## **MONTHLY DONATION DRIVE: SUPPORTING THE HUNGER TASK FORCE**

Each month, we have the opportunity to make a meaningful impact on our community by contributing to The Hunger Task Force. This month item is **oatmeal!** Thank you for your continued support and commitment to serving others in love. Let's continue to make a difference together!

## **MOO-MOO'S PRAYER CLUB, Sunday, April 27, 10:15am—Sanctuary**

All ages are welcome (especially infants, toddlers, and elementary-age school children) to come join us to discover the many different ways people can praise and serve God!

## **JOURNEY THROUGH HOLY WEEK WITH US**

Come to church this Holy Week. Come just as you are, with your doubts and fears and questions and uncertainty. Holy Week is when we can be our most human, our most broken, our most vulnerable... and it's ok. Come hear that there is more mercy in God than sin in us. Come hear that when death does its worst, that's when our God does God's best. Come hear that a glorious new day is coming! Come hear that YOU are who God came to save. Just come.

## **LENT 2025: THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Let's refresh our knowledge of Luther's Small Catechism!  
Specifically, what Luther had to say about the Lord's Prayer.

### **MIDWEEK LENT 5—Wednesday, April 9, 2025**

*"For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.*  
We'll look at Luther's explanation to what he calls the "conclusion" of the prayer.

## **HOLY WEEK 2025**

### **PALM SUNDAY—Sunday, April 13, 2025**

Processional Gospel Matthew 21: 1-9 and Reading from Philippians 2: 5-11  
We hear the story of Jesus's grand entry into Jerusalem.  
Then, we consider Paul's words to the Philippians *"he humbled himself  
and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross"*

### **MAUNDY THURSDAY—Thursday, April 17, 2025**

1 Corinthians 11:23-26 "The Lord's Supper"

### **GOOD FRIDAY—Friday, April 18, 2025**

We read the Passion according to the Gospel of John.

## **CELEBRATE EASTER WITH US**

### **EASTER SUNDAY—Sunday, April 20, 2025, 9:30am**

Luke 24: 1-12 The resurrection of Jesus!

Join us as we sing, worship, and celebrate the most important day in the  
life of the church. Come hear, for the first time or the 50<sup>th</sup>, that the best news  
this world ever received came from a lonely graveyard. *"He is not here!  
Christ is risen! He is risen, indeed!"* Come see what all the excitement is about.

**Don't forget to bring your bells to worship!**

***This is Christ's church and there is a place for you here.***

## **CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED**

Please note that the church office will be closed,  
Monday, April 21, 2025 in observance of Easter.  
The church office will reopen on Tuesday, April 22 at 9am.

# OUR SAVIORS THIS WEEK

POST ON A FRIG, NEAR A PHONE, ON AN ALTAR AND ANY OTHER SACRED PLACE

## CALENDAR

### Sunday, April 6, 2025

**9:30am** Worship/HC  
**10:15am** Moo-Moo's Prayer Club  
**10:15am** Coffee Fellowship  
**10:30am** Choir rehearsal  
**6:30pm** Y.E.S. A.A. mtg.

### Monday

**9am—1pm** Office Open  
**10am—12 noon** Gas Vouchers

### Tuesday

**9am—1pm** Office Open  
**9am** Quilters  
**1—5pm** WCC  
**4pm** CFS Doors Open  
**4:15—5:15pm** CFS Meal Served  
**5:15—5:30pm** CFS Carry Outs

### Wednesday

**9am—1pm** Office Open  
**12 noon** Worship  
**6:30pm** Worship

### Thursday

**9am—1pm** Office Open

### Friday

Pastor/Staff Sabbath

### Saturday

**9am—1pm** WCC open  
**10am** Breakfast Set-Up

### Palm Sunday, April 13, 2025

**8:30am** Choir rehearsal  
**9:30am** Worship/HC  
**10:15am** Palm Sunday Breakfast  
**6:30pm** Y.E.S. A.A. mtg.

#### **Calendar Notations:**

HC—Holy Communion

CFS—Come For Supper

WCC—Women's Clothes Closet

## PRAYER CONCERNS

### HEALING AND PEACE

**Athena** Burg, **Bev** Hanson, **Casey** Kanter, **Cindy** Moe, **Cindy** Vieth, **Dan** Odenbach, **Danielle** Sorenson, **Dave** Kjos, **Dottie** Pierce, **Erik** Rudrud, **Esther** Harman, **Eugene** Herold, **Gabe** Centanni, **George**, **Inara**, **Kjersten**, and **Kaden** D., **Jean** Koll, **Jeannie** White, **Jeff** Kent, **Jim** Garson, **Jim** Radatz, **Joyce** Gosman, **Juliana** & **John** A., **Karen** Geoglein, **Kate** and **Kalvin**, **Katie** White, **Kilian** Crary, **Lane** C., **Lois** Horne, **Kelly** Olson, **Mary** Covey, **Monica** & **Jack**, **Morris** Buros, **Peggy** Kneifl, **Pete** Harman, **Rich** Pitz, **Rose** Sabotta, **Roxanne** North, **Sandy** Kjos, **Sonja** Simonson-Schrag, **Tom** Cade, and **Vera** Wensole

### GRIEVING FAMILY & FRIENDS OF

**Lucy** Radatz

### MEMBERS & FRIENDS IN ARMED FORCES

**Gabriel** W. Kleven, **Greg** Phillips, **Ricky** Macon, **Stacie** Phillips, and **Tom** Rudrud

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

**Mildred** Larson April 7  
**Sally** Vaaler April 8  
**Tyler** Bahr April 10