



OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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+ Fifth Sunday of Lent

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Prayer request and visitor cards can be found in the pew rack.

(*) Denotes when to stand, if you are able. **Boldface** readings are spoken together.

Prelude

Worship Band

Welcome and Announcements

***Confession and Forgiveness**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

Most merciful God, **we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. 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.**

***Gathering Hymn**

Come As You Are David Crowder

Worship Band

1. Come out of sadness from wherever
you've been
Come, brokenhearted let the rescue begin
Come find your mercy, O sinner, come
kneel
Earth has no sorrow that heaven can't heal

2. There's hope for the hopeless and all
those who've strayed
Come sit at the table, come taste the grace
There's rest for the weary, rest that
endures
Earth has no sorrow that heaven can't cure
[CHORUS]

CHORUS

Lay down your burdens, lay down your
shame
All who are broken lift up your face
O wanderer come home you're not too far
So lay down your hurt, lay down your
heart, come as you are

Come as you are, come as you are,
Fall in His arms, come as you are

3. There's joy for the morning O sinner, be
still
Earth has no sorrow that heaven can't heal
Earth has no sorrow that heaven can't heal
[CHORUS]

Second Hymn

Forever

Chris Tomlin

Worship Band

1. Give thanks to the Lord, our God and
King, His love endures forever
For he is good, he is above all things, His
love endures forever
Sing praise, sing praise, sing praise, sing
praise!

2. With a mighty hand and outstretched
arm, His love endures forever
For the life that's been reborn, His love
endures forever
Sing praise, sing praise, sing praise, sing
praise!
[CHORUS]

CHORUS

Forever God is faithful, forever God is
strong
Forever God is with us, forever and ever,
forever

3. From the rising to the setting sun, His
love endures forever
By the grace of God we will carry on, His
love endures forever
Sing praise, sing praise, sing praise, sing
praise!
[CHORUS x2]

***Greeting**

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The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

***Prayer of the Day**

Almighty God, **your Son came into the world to free us all from sin and death. Breathe upon us the power of your Spirit, that we may be raised to new life in Christ and serve you in righteousness all our days, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

Reading

Ezekiel 37:1-14

Ezekiel's vision of the valley of dry bones is a promise that Israel as a nation, though dead in exile, will live again in their land through God's life-giving spirit. Three times Israel is assured that through this vision they will know that "I am the Lord."

A reading from Ezekiel.

¹The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. ²He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. ³He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord God, you know." ⁴Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. ⁵Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. ⁶I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord."

⁷So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. ⁸I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. ⁹Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath, prophecy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." ¹⁰I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

¹¹Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' ¹²Therefore prophecy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. ¹³And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. ¹⁴I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act, says the Lord."

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Children's Message

Pastor Kevin Olson

*Gospel Acclamation

Open the Eyes of My Heart

Worship Band

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord
Open the eyes of my heart
I want to see you, I want to see you
[REPEAT]

See you high and lifted up
Shining in the light of your glory
Pour out your power and love
As we sing holy, holy, holy.

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord
Open the eyes of my heart
I want to see you, I want to see you

Please be seated for the reading of the Gospel

Gospel

John 11:1-45

Jesus is moved to sorrow when his friend Lazarus falls ill and dies. Then, in a dramatic scene, he calls his friend out of the tomb and restores him to life.

The holy gospel according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. ²Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. ³So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." ⁴But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." ⁵Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, ⁶after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

⁷Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." ⁸The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" ⁹Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. ¹⁰But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." ¹¹After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." ¹²The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." ¹³Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. ¹⁴Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. ¹⁵For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." ¹⁶Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

¹⁷When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. ¹⁸Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, ¹⁹and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. ²⁰When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. ²¹Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. ²²But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." ²³Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." ²⁴Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." ²⁵Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, ²⁶and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" ²⁷She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world."

²⁸When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." ²⁹And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. ³⁰Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. ³¹The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. ³²When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." ³³When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. ³⁴He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." ³⁵Jesus began to weep. ³⁶So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" ³⁷But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

³⁸Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. ³⁹Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." ⁴⁰Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" ⁴¹So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. ⁴²I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." ⁴³When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" ⁴⁴The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

⁴⁵Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

***Hymn of the Day**

In the Cross Cornerstone

Edward Mole, Eric Liljero, Jonas Myrin, Rueben Morgan

Worship Band

1. My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness
I dare not trust the sweetest frame
But wholly trust in Jesus' name

CHORUS

Christ alone, Cornerstone
Weak made strong in the Savior's love
Through the storm He is Lord, Lord of all

2. When darkness seems to hide His face
I rest on His unchanging grace
In every high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil
[CHORUS]

3. When He shall come with trumpet sound
Oh may I then in Him be found
Dressed in His righteousness alone
Faultless stand before the throne
[CHORUS x2]

Creed

This I Believe (The Creed) Ben Fielding and Matt Crocker

Worship Band

1. Our Father everlasting, the all-creating One
God Almighty
Through your Holy Spirit conceiving Christ the Son
Jesus our Savior

CHORUS

I believe in God our Father, I believe in Christ the Son
I believe in the Holy Spirit, our God is three in One
I believe in the resurrection that we will rise again
For I believe in the Name of Jesus

2. Our Judge and our Defender, suffered and crucified
Forgiveness is in You
Descended into darkness, You rose in glorious light
Forever seated high
(CHORUS)

I believe in You, I believe You rose again
I believe that Jesus Christ is Lord

3. I believe in life eternal, I believe in the virgin birth
I believe in the saints' communion, and in Your Holy Church
I believe in the resurrection when Jesus comes again
For I believe in the Name of Jesus
(CHORUS)

Prayers of Intercession

Sustained by God's abundant mercy, let us pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

You have breathed into us the breath of life. Enliven your church. Deepen our partnerships with our companion churches around the globe (*specific synods, dioceses, or congregations may be named*), and bless the work of missionaries who accompany them. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your steadfast love and your promise to renew your whole creation; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Reception of Offering

Worship Band

*Offertory Response

Take My Life

Scott Underwood

Worship Band

Faithfulness, faithfulness is what I long for
Faithfulness is what I need
Faithfulness, faithfulness is what You want from me

So take my heart and form it
Take my mind, transform it
Take my will, conform it
To Yours, to Yours, oh Lord
To Yours, to Yours, oh Lord.

*Offering Prayer

God our provider, **you have not fed us with bread alone, but with words of grace and life. Bless us and these your gifts, which we receive from your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Lord's Prayer

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*Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace. **Amen.**

***Sending Hymn** *What a Beautiful Name*
Ben Fielding and Brook Ligertwood

Worship Band

You were the word at the beginning
One with God the Lord Most High
Your hidden glory in creation
Now revealed in You our Christ

What a beautiful name it is, what a beautiful name it is
The name of Jesus Christ my King
What a beautiful name it is, nothing compares to this
What a beautiful name it is the name of Jesus

You didn't want heaven without us
So, Jesus, You brought heaven down
My sin was great Your love was greater
What could separate us now?

What a wonderful name it is, what a wonderful name it is
The name of Jesus Christ my King
What a wonderful name it is, nothing compares to this
What a wonderful name it is the name of Jesus
What a wonderful name it is the name of Jesus

Death could not hold You, the veil tore before You
You silence the boast of sin and grave
The heavens are roaring the praise of Your glory
For You are raised to life again
You have no rival, You have no equal,
Now and forever God You reign
Yours is the kingdom, Yours is the glory
Yours is the name above all names

What a powerful name it is, what a powerful name it is
The name of Jesus Christ my King
What a powerful name it is, nothing can stand against
What a powerful name it is the name of Jesus

***Dismissal**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Worship Band

NEWS & NOTES

ASSISTING WITH WORSHIP TODAY

Pastor: Kevin Olson

Acolyte: Aveya Hoover

Lector: Lorne Wilson

VOCALS: Brittany Oberhelman, Ryan Rice

GUITAR: Paul Ronning, Ron Hill

KEYBOARD: Dustin Davidson

Ushers: Mike & Pam Finco, Dan Ellefson

Tellers: Jill Klapatch, Debbie Lind

Videographer: Dustin Davidson, John Law

Altar Guild: Jan Gregorich

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Bonnie Mangseth celebrates her birthday on March 26th

Marlene Anderson celebrates her birthday on March 30th

Jim Haupt celebrates his birthday on March 30th

Gary Verant celebrates her birthday on April 1st

Fred & Phyllis Fawkes celebrate their 63rd wedding anniversary on April 2nd

SYMPATHY

Deepest sympathies to the family of Lynn Daniels who passed away March 16th. Her memorial service was yesterday.

Deepest sympathies to the family of Owen Olson who passed away March 20th. His memorial service will be held 3/28 at 1:00.

RADIO BROADCAST

Radio broadcast sponsorships are needed.

If you would like to sponsor a broadcast in memory of a loved one or in celebration of an event, please call the office at 218-263-7422. Weekly broadcasts are \$50 each

OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

Sunday, 26th

9:00 Worship

10:30 Radio Broadcast
1240 AM WMFG

4-6 5th Grade Communion Class

4-6 Visitation for Owen Olson

Monday, 27th

11:00 Visitation for Owen Olson

1:00 Funeral for Owen Olson

Tuesday, 28th

9:00 Quilting

11:00 Hymn Planning

1:00 Staff Meeting

6:00 TV Broadcast
Chanel 805

6:30 Worship Committee

Wednesday, 29th

8:00 TV Broadcast
Chanel 805

8:30 Bible Study

5:30 Soup Supper

6:30 Lenten Service

7:15 Confirmation 7, 8, 9 Grade

7:15 Choir

Sunday, April 2nd

9:00 Palm Sunday Worship &
Communion

Sunday School

10:00 Coffee & Fellowship

10:30 Radio Broadcast
1240AM WMFG

Lenten Services

This Lenten season, back by popular demand, our Confirmation Youth will once again lead us in Wednesday evening, mid-week Lenten worship through skits in a dramatic retelling of our Lord's Passion leading to the cross.

March 29 Scene Five *The Lord's Supper* Mark 14:12-31

April 6 (Maundy Thursday) Scene Six *Jesus Prays.* Mark 14:32-14

All are welcome to attend Lenten services at Our Savior's Lutheran Church.

Lenten Soup Supper served at 5:30 and the service will begin at 6:30

Date	Lisa's Soup	Volunteer Chef & Selection	Serving
3/29	Chicken Noodle	Jennifer & Al Lipke - <i>Potato Soup</i>	Rundell & Hobbs

Join us for Holy Week

Palm Sunday, April 2nd

9:00am Worship Service

Maundy Thursday, April 6th

6:30pm with Holy Communion
and 5th Grade First Communion

Good Friday, April 7th

6:30pm Service

Easter Vigil

Good Friday & Holy Saturday

7:30pm, April 7th – 7:00pm, April 8th

Easter Sunday, April 9th

9:00am Worship Service

Easter Brunch & Fellowship

10:45am Worship Service

Easter Vigil

When we started doing this at Our Savior's, our goal was to have someone in our chapel, in 30 minute shifts, for 24 hours, "keeping vigil" on Good Friday into Saturday. That would still be wonderful. We know, though, that some people don't feel comfortable being alone in the Pilgrims' Chapel, especially during the night. So, several years ago we decided that people could sign up for a time, but "keep vigil" at their homes. When you participate in the vigil, you can pray, read the Bible or devotional materials, or simply contemplate what Jesus did for us that Friday on the cross. Our **Easter Vigil** will begin right after the Good Friday service, and will continue until 7:00 Saturday evening.

The sign-up chart will be in the narthex.

You're invited to share Easter Brunch, which will be served between our Easter worship services! There will be pastries, orange juice, coffee, (and jelly beans).

Brunch will be served from 9:45 - 10:45. The proceeds of the free-will donations will go into our Campership Fund, to help pay the costs for our youth to go to Camp Vermilion, Camp Hiawatha, or on a BWCA canoe trip this summer.

Easter Lily & Mission Action Project

As is the tradition at Our Savior's, we will be decorating the chancel with lilies for Easter. Lilies are \$20 each and envelopes may be found in the office or narthex. This year's Lenten Mission Action project is collecting funds for wells and you may contribute to either/or both projects in the same envelope or by noting your wishes on the memo line of your check.

If you wish to place a lily in honor or memory of someone and wish to have it listed in the Easter bulletin, please have your donation to the office by March 29th. Thanking you in advance for thinking of others during Lent.

Job Opportunity: Administrative Assistant at OSLC

The Personnel Committee is in the process of considering resumes' for the position of Administrative Assistant for the congregation. This is one of several crucial roles in our congregation and requires strong organizational skills, accounting and word processing expertise and utmost attention to care and confidentiality.

If you or someone you know would be interested in being considered for the role, please submit a resume' to the personnel committee via email (oslchibb@mchsi.com), by mailing it to the church or placing it in the Ministry and Personnel mailbox outside the office. See www.oslchibbing.org for the complete job description.



White Elephant Sale

It is that time again! White Elephant Sale planning has started! We invite young and old to participate in this wonderful fundraising and fellowship opportunity. The Sale will be Saturday, May 6th, with set up starting on Monday, May 1st (tables and clothing racks only) with all the unloading and sorting happening Tuesday - Friday, May 2-5.

Register for Camp Vermilion & Camp Hiawatha this summer

OSLC will pay for your camp experience!

Register online using transfer code: **OSLC501**

Go to: VLMcamps.org

Register by March 15th to get the **"Early Bird"** rate



