



NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW ARTWORK

We have new artwork hanging in our classrooms that was done by Amanda (nee Jones) Satorius, a former member here at Our Savior. Be sure to take a look at the artwork, if you haven't already! It looks great! Also a BIG thank-you to the Haberlands, and especially Karen, for the beautiful lettering that was done in the classrooms!

Finally, as part of our anniversary celebration, we have commissioned a piece of artwork called "*Christus Paradox*" for our entryway by artist Jason Jaspersen, a WELS artist from MN. He recently sent an update on how the work is progressing. Take a look at the pictures in the entryway to see the process!

LAWN MOWING

Our facilities elder, Tim Smith, is working on putting together a mowing schedule for this summer. If you are interested in helping out, please talk to Tim and let him know ASAP! Thanks!


LENT DEVOTIONS

We will once again be offering special Lent devotions for you and your family. Lent begins with Ash Wednesday, which is March 6th. This year, there will be several different options for you to use:


- Printed copies will be available for pick-up in the welcome area.
- If you prefer to get your devotions via email, you can sign up at: <https://sa.wels.net/devotionsignup>
- There will be a digital online magazine available on <https://www.joomag.com>
- There is also an audio podcast of the devotions that will be available on iTunes, Google Play, or through your favorite podcasting app—search for "When Christ Went to Calvary"
- Or if you prefer a blog version that will have both the audio and written version of the devotions, you can go to: <https://sa.wels.net/devotions>

THERE ARE MORE NEWS / ANNOUNCEMENTS ON THE BACK!

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THIS WEEK AT OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN

SUNDAY—March 3rd

9:00 AM Sunday School / Adult Bible Class

10:15 AM Worship Service

WEDNESDAY—March 6th

7:00 PM Ash Wednesday Worship Service

FRIDAY—March 8th

11:30 AM Men's Lunch

6:30 PM Prepare/Enrich Marriage Workshop

SATURDAY—March 9th

10:00 AM Confirmation Class

SUNDAY—March 10th

9:00 AM Sunday School / Adult Bible Class

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ASH WEDNESDAY AND LENT WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

In a few weeks, we will enter into the church year season of Lent. (The word “*lent*” comes from an Latin / Old English word that means “*spring*.” (Old English “lengthen,” the time of the year when the days grow longer). The season of Lent is a time to meditate deeply on the meaning of Christ’s suffering and death for our salvation as well as a time in which to concentrate on the continuing importance of changing our sinful lives. The resurrection of Jesus is God’s proof that our salvation has been completed and that our hope for eternal life with God is secure.

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the season of Lent and is 40 weekdays before Easter. This year, Ash Wednesday is March 6th. The name “Ash Wednesday” comes from the ancient custom of placing ashes on the foreheads of believers, which was practiced in France in the sixth century and was universally adopted as a sign of penitence and as a reminder of human mortality by the tenth century. The pastor dips his thumb into some ashes (traditionally made from the palm branches from the previous Palm Sunday) and marks an ashy cross on each person’s forehead while saying, “Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return.” This custom uses the biblical image of ashes (Job 42:6) to remind us that we, too, shall die and therefore need forgiveness.

We will mark the beginning of the season of Lent with a special Ash Wednesday service on March 6th at 7:00 pm. You are invited to join us for this solemn reminder of our own sin and its consequences, and to hear the comforting news of a Savior in Jesus.

BIRMINGHAM IRON FOOTBALL GAME OUTING

Interested in going to see the new professional football team here in Birmingham—the Birmingham Iron? We are planning on outing to see their home game on Saturday, March 9th. Game time is 2pm. Tickets are between \$20-30 depending on where we want to sit. If you are interested, talk to Tim Smith!

FOUNDATIONS OF FAITH BIBLE CLASS

Foundation of Faith is a Bible study that will be offered on Wednesday evenings. Sessions will start at 6:30pm and go until 7:45 pm or so. This is a great class for anyone who wants to:

- Gain a more thorough understanding of the Bible
- Explore the basic beliefs of Christianity
- Gain confidence in talking about your faith
- Understand Our Savior Lutheran and the Lutheran Church better
- Join our family of believers

SERVING OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN

MARCH CLEANING / SNACKS

Benz, Burkart, Gammon, Holbrook, Lamon, Rudd, Wright (Bumgardner, Fischer, Nelson)

CHILDREN’S CHURCH

3/3—Emily Kratz/Norah

3/10—Jennifer Boyce-Sauer/Evelyn

3/17—Hallie Keel/Olivia

USHERS

3/3—John Haberland/James Haberland

3/6—Keith Gammon/Micah Roberson

3/10—Bob Holbrook/Doug Verstein

GREETERS