This Week at Our Savior – March 2-9

Sunday	Fellowship Hour Worship & Sunday School	9am 10am
	Worship at Countryview	1:30pm
Monday	Staff Meeting Property Team Mtg Executive Committee Christian Ed Mtg	10:30am 5:30pm 5:45pm 6pm
Tuesday	Cluster Clergy Text Study WELCA Exec Board Mtg	<i>10am</i> 10am
Wednesday	OWL's Bible Study Ash Wednesday Worship w/Communion at Countryview Ash Wednesday Worship w/Communion at Kinship Confirmation Class Joyful Noise Rehearsal Ash Wednesday Worship Journey Mission Trip Mtg (following worship)	10am 2pm 3:30pm 615pm 6pm 7pm
Thursday Friday	Sleeping Mat Ministry Women Who Love to Talk and Eat	9am 6pm
Saturday	Worship	5:30pm
Sunday	Coffee with Council Worship & Sunday School	9am 10am
	Confirmation Class	4pm

CALENDAR ITEMS

Reminder...please contact the church office regarding <u>any meetings or gatherings</u> <u>scheduled</u> at the church; especially those held after office hours, so that they can be added to the master calendar. *If no evening activities are listed, the church building is locked at approx. 5pm.*

READINGS

The lectionary readings for March 8 & 9 are Deuteronomy 26:1-11; Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16; Romans 10:8b-13; Luke 4:1-13.

ONLINE GIVING—You can give electronically to OSLC—just download the Vanco Mobile app or **go to our website at https://oslcwayne.org/give/**





Announcements

WELCOME!

Welcome to worship, as we celebrate the Transfiguration of Our Lord. May God's grace nurture and strengthen you today. We ask all worshippers to please share with us their presence by signing the Welcome to Worship pad as it is passed in the pew. <u>Prayer Request cards can be found in the hymnal racks.</u>

SOUND SYSTEM UPDATE

You may know that we have been experiencing poor sound quality in recent worship services. In working to correct these issues we learned that portions of our main speaker system in the sanctuary have failed and need to be replaced. We've received and accepted a bid to have the work done; this will take place mid-March. In the meantime, please bear with us! Thanks!!

HEARING ASSISTANCE

Hearing devices are available at the sound tech desk at the back of the sanctuary.

CHILDREN'S DOODLE PAPER

Little Lutheran Doodle Pads are available at the activities shelf near the soundboard. Children are welcome to use this paper during worship service.

RADIO BROADCAST

In honor of Arlene Robinson's 80th birthday from Jerry, Kris, Elisa & Tyler. Radio broadcast of our Sunday morning worship service can be heard live on AM 1590 and FM 98.9, online at waynedailynews.com and the Wayne Radio app.

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

As a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, this is an open table, all are welcome to come and celebrate Holy Communion. We commune because Jesus told us to do so to remember him. In remembering him, our faith is strengthened as together we "proclaim the Lord's death" for the world and for forgiveness of sins.

Clear juice is provided for those who prefer an alternative to wine and **Gluten free wafers** are available.



This Wednesday, March 5, 2025, is Ash Wednesday. An Ash Wednesday worship service will be held at Our Savior at 7pm. The service will include the Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion.

Midweek Lenten services will be held at 7pm each Wednesday evening, March 12– April 9. The services will include a scripture reflection, a faith story and Holden Evening Prayer.

Join us for supper each Wednesday evening before worship; supper is served from **5:45–6:45pm.** There is no charge for the meal, but a freewill offering is taken with proceeds going to the group or organization providing the meal. Come, invite a friend or neighbor, and enjoy the evening as community in Christ.

CELEBRATE THE BOLD WOMEN IN YOUR LIFE

Bold Women's Day-observed the first Sunday of March— celebrates all Lutheran women who have acted or are acting boldly on their faith in Jesus Christ. Since this is "Bold Women of Faith" month, the Women of the ELCA Executive Board is extending an invitation to all women of OSLC, to attend Spring Gathering on Saturday, April 26, at Atkinson. We especially hope to encourage our young women of faith, who have never attended a Spring Gathering to accept our invitation to expand their faith experience.

Don't know if you would go by yourself? Grab one or two of your church friends and give one of us a call to get you registered. It is a good experience and an opportunity to meet other young women of faith. There will be a car pool to travel together.



FISH FRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Our Savior will hold its **5th Annual Fish Fry** on **Friday, March 28** at the **Wayne City Auditorium, beginning at 5:30pm.** The menu will include fish, cheesy potatoes, bread, salads and desserts; a cash bar will also be available. Hotdogs and chips will be available for kids. All proceeds from the event will benefit OSLC Ministries.

All are invited to be part of this fundraiser; it takes many volunteers! Sign-up sheets to work and/or provide salads, desserts or potatoes are at the information desk! *Please mark your calendars and plan to help/contribute and attend!*

MATCHING FUNDS CHALLENGE

The congregation's leadership agreed to a \$5,000 gift for the **Sustaining Sacred Spaces** capital campaign for Nebraska Lutheran Outdoor Ministries (NLOM). At our annual meeting in January, the congregation was challenged to match or exceed the allocated gift, which could raise our gift to \$10,000 or more. A thermometer is in the narthex to monitor our progress and to provide us with continued encouragement as we prepare our extended gift for this much-needed capital campaign.

CHILDREN'S OFFERING JAR!

The glass offering jar—you might remember it as the Tanzania jar! — is back up front! Children are invited to take forward an offering when they come up for the Children's Sermon.

Adults, feel free to send your pocket change with any of the children coming forward. It's always so heartwarming to see the children joyfully give to the work of the church.

SPONSOR A RADIO BROADCAST

Consider sponsoring a radio broadcast; Cost is \$75 or \$40 each for co-sponsors. The first available dates to sponsor a radio broadcast are **March 9, 16 & 30 and April 20, 2025**; other dates are available later in the year. Radio broadcast of our Sunday morning worship service can be heard live on AM 1590 and FM 98.9.

DOLLAR DOOR OFFERING—WAYNE FOOD PANTRY

Each month our Dollar Door Offering (offering plate in center of the Narthex) goes to support the efforts of a different ministry. The March Dollar Door Offering recipient will be the 40/40 Lenten Challenge and the Wayne Food Pantry.

Together our dollars can help them help others!

YOU'RE INVITED... TO COFFEE with Council



Coffee with Council is an opportunity to meet with members of the church council for coffee, refreshments and discussion. Join them prior to worship, 9am, **next Sunday morning, March 9,** in the church narthex.

PRAYER TIME

This month's "Prayer Time" in the March Newsletter features *Praying in Color.* "Praying in color is a prayer practice that involves openness to God's presence while you color." Our Savior's Newsletter is mailed out each month; a copy can also be found on our website: www.oslcwayne.org.

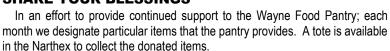
USE ACCOUNT #620!

Our Savior has an account at *Refind & Refresh*—account #620. Items can be donated and sold with 100% of proceeds going toward youth programing, trips, camp, etc...at Our Savior. Bring items in and let them know you'd like it to go to the OSLC Youth Account #620!

JOIN OUR CHURCH FAMILY!

Do you or someone you know have an interest in joining the church? We will host a **new member orientation** this spring for anyone interested in joining the church. Please contact Pr. Chad or the church office to let us know of your interest.

SHARE YOUR BLESSINGS





For March: paper products—Kleenex and disposable diapers; cleaning items—detergent, laundry soap, hand soap and window, floor and furniture cleaners; toiletry items—shampoo, conditioner, deodorant for men and women, toothpaste, toothbrushes, combs, hair brushes, and hand and body lotion.

THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS

If you're an eligible Thrivent Financial member and have Choice Dollars® available to direct, please consider designating your available funds to Our Savior. For more info or to direct Choice Dollars, call 800-847-4836 and say "Thrivent Choice." Or go to: http://thrivent.com.

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SPRING AHEAD NEXT WEEKEND

Daylight savings time begins **March 9**. Don't forget to set your clocks ahead one hour before going to bed on Saturday, March 8.

BE INVITATIONAL

Invite someone to worship with you. All of us know someone who needs the Lord and a place to worship and serve. In your circle of influence be an influence for Jesus Christ. **Your invitation will make a difference in that person's life!**

GOSPEL MESSAGE

March 2, 2025 TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

Chaos and Mystery

Ghost-like prophets from generations past, a face suddenly transformed, dazzling clothes, frightening fog, and a mysterious voice: today's gospel text might sound like the beginning of a strange science fiction novel. Indeed, this passage has mystified theologians, biblical scholars, preachers, and followers of Jesus for centuries. What do we make of such an unusual tale?

Perhaps the chaos and mystery are part of the point: after all, who can fully describe an encounter with the Divine? How can we even begin to understand the glory of God? If this text leaves us speechless, we are in good company with God-seekers across the ages. Some experiences simply defy tidy explanations, and the transfiguration is one of them.

This story offers us glimpses of some of the most profound mysteries of our faith. Jesus is the fulfillment of the law and the prophets, the one sent and affirmed by God. Jesus is the glory of God revealed among us. In him, we find our past, present, and future all wrapped up into one. Even the most devout disciples might find themselves confounded by these revelations. Perhaps we are given these truths only in glimpses to spark our curiosity and wonder, and to let the gift of faith reveal their meaning.

This story also assures us that although Jesus shines with God's glory on the mountaintop, he is sent back into the day-to-day world to carry on the work of life-saving mercy, healing, and justice. Like Peter, James, and John, we might encounter God on the mountaintops of life and be tempted to set up camp there. But God is the one who leaves the mountain for the often-unglamorous work of serving others. We trust that here, too, God is with us—not just on the mountaintops but in the valleys and everywhere in between, transforming us for the work of discipleship here and now in the ordinariness of life.

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In Our Prayers... March 1 & 2, 2025

"Be joyful always: pray continually: give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)

Hospitalized this week: Carol Griesch

SPECIFIC PRAYER REQUESTS:

Health Concerns:

- For those recovering from injury or illness.
- For those undergoing treatments for cancer and other health issues.

Guidance:

Spiritual Healing/Strength:

Prayer of Thanksgiving:

- For the warmth after the long string of cold days.
- We give thanks for the talents for Sue to play the piano and for Betty's sermon.

Deaths:

• For the family of Pr. Bill Koeber in the death of his brother, Don Koeber, and for Don's family.

Other Prayers:

- Watch over all struggling during these times.
- All prayers placed in the Prayer Bowl.



Take a prayer rock; say a prayer. Place the prayer (rock) in the Prayer Bowl. Each week prayers in the Prayer Bowl are lifted to the Lord.

...but God has surly listened and heard my voice in prayer. Psalm 66:19

Worship Assistants

This Weekend (3/1 & 2)

Organist/Pianist: Connie Webber 5:30pm

Greeters-Melia Hefti

LWA & CA-Tyler Frevert

Acolyte-Caysen Gamble

Projection-Melissa Rabbass

Sound-Jim Hansen

Ushers-Cheryl Roberts, Ron & Corliss Krusemark **Altar Guild-**Janet Sievers, Dorothy Wert,

Leslie Johnson

10am

Greeters-Chad & Tiffany Henderson
LWA & CA-Karma Magnuson
CA Sup Olean Madra Bruffet

CA-Sue Olson, Madge Bruflat

Acolyte-Layton Becker

Projection-Kenna Blecke

Sound-Jerry Robinson

Video-Kris Robinson

Ushers-Dave Anderson, Dave Olson, Brad Wieland **Altar Guild-**Madge Bruflat, Julie Grone

Ash Wednesday (3/5) 7pm

Greeter-Pat Carnes

LWA & CA-Roger Lentz

CA-Lynette Lentz, Dorothy Wert

Acolyte-Nash Hansen

Projection-Leslie Johnson

Sound-Jerry Robinson

Video-Kris Robinson

Ushers-Steve McLagan, Ron Carnes, Alex Phelps,

Pete Reeg

Altar Guild-Karen Zach, Mary Hansen

Next Weekend (3/8 & 9)

Musician: Alan Bruflat, Shelly Armstrong

5:30pm

Greeters-Ron Doring LWA & CA-Kathy Becker

Acolyte-Mason Nelson

Projection-Margaret Hansen

Sound-Dave Baier

Ushers-Dorothy Wert, Marsha Roth

Altar Guild-Joan Baier, Denise Broders, Teri Koenig

10am

Greeters-Lynette Lentz

LWA & CA-Steve McLagan

CA-Cynthia Puntney, Lynette Lentz

Acolyte-Grant Law

Projection-Leslie/Tyler Johnson

Sound-Amber Labenz

Video-Leslie/Tyler Johnson

Ushers-Ron Magnuson, Kelvin Puntney,

John Magnuson, Noah Magnuson

Altar Guild-Teri Koenig, Lynette Lentz

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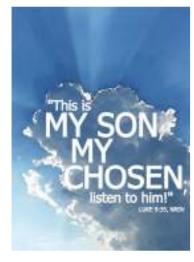


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The Mission of Our Savior:

That all may **know** Christ, **grow** in Christ, and joyfully **go** with Christ.



Welcome

March 1 & 2, 2025

Transfiguration of Our Lord/ Last Sunday after Epiphany

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Ministers:

The People of Our Savior

Pastor:

Rev. Chad Rademacher

Program Staff:

Connie Webber Director of Music

Bridget Vaith

Coordinator of Youth & Family Ministry

Virginia Kniesche Coordinator of Children's Ministry

Order of Worship

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements Gathering Song: ELW 314

Confession and Forgiveness

Greeting

Prayer of the Day

Bold Women's Day Litany

Hymn of Praise: ELW 671

Children's Time (Sun)

First Reading: page 80 Exodus 34:29-35

Psalm: Psalm 99

Second Reading: page 1052 2 Corinthians 3:12–4:2

Gospel Acclamation: ELW 473

Gospel: page 944 Luke 9:28-43a

Message

Hymn of the Day: ELW 511

Creed

Prayers of Intercession

Sharing the Peace

Offering

Offering Song & Prayer

Great Thanksgiving, Preface & Holy, Holy, Holy

Eucharistic Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Blessing & Prayer after Communion

Invitation to Communion

Parting Blessing

Sending Song: ELW 866

Dismissal Postlude

End of Worship. Beginning of Service.