

This Week at Our Savior – March 16-23

Sunday	Fellowship Hour	9am
	Worship & Sunday School	10am
	Confirmation Class	4pm
Monday	Sleeping Mat Ministry	9am
	Staff Meeting	10:30am
	Worship & Music Team Mtg	5pm
Tuesday	<i>Cluster Clergy Text Study</i>	10am
	Worship at Kinship	3:30pm
Wednesday	Visitation Ministry Group	1pm
	Lenten Supper (<i>Casseroles & Salad</i>)	5:45-6:45pm
	Joyful Noise Rehearsal	6pm
	Midweek Lenten Worship	7pm
	HS Youth Group (<i>following worship</i>)	
Thursday		
Friday		
Saturday	Worship	5:30pm
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CALENDAR ITEMS

Reminder...please contact the church office regarding any meetings or gatherings scheduled 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 22 & 23 are Isaiah 55:1-9; Psalm 63:1-8; 1 Corinthians 10:1-13; Luke 13:1-9.

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 journey through the season of Lent, seeking to grow in faith, hope and love. **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.** *Prayer Request cards can be found in the hymnal racks.*

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 loving memory of Lucille Peterson; this radio broadcast was an important part of her week after she could no longer attend church in person, by Winona Schneider & Chris Fletcher and their families. 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.***

JOIN US DURING LENT

Midweek Lenten services will be held at 7pm each Wednesday evening, through April 9. The services will include a scripture reflection, a faith story and Holden Evening Prayer. Our Lenten worship theme is *Our Journey of Baptism into Christ*.

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. **This week's menu: casseroles & salad.**



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!***

40/40 CHALLENGE

Our Savior is offering the 40 Days/40 Items challenge during Lent again this year. **A list of 40 food pantry items is available at the table at the back of the sanctuary to use as your guide.** BRING 40 FOOD PANTRY ITEMS FOR THE 40 DAYS OF LENT. The Wayne Food Pantry will receive all donated items.



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If you prefer to make a **MONETARY DONATION**, just earmark it 40/40; OSLC confirmation youth will go shopping to purchase items before delivering all donations to the Wayne Food Pantry. **The March Dollar Door Offering will also go to the 40/40 Lenten Challenge.**

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!

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.

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.

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 programming, 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!

SHARE YOUR BLESSINGS

In an effort to provide continued support to the Wayne Food Pantry; each month we designate particular items that the pantry provides. A tote is available in the Narthex to collect the donated items.



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.

SPONSOR A RADIO BROADCAST

Consider sponsoring a radio broadcast; Cost is \$75 or \$40 each for co-sponsors. The next available date to sponsor a radio broadcast is **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.

SLEEPING MAT MINISTRY

Sleeping mats are made from plastic shopping bags. This is a great way to recycle all those plastic grocery bags! (A basket is available in the narthex to collect CLEAN bags.) There are several steps to preparing the bags before the mats can be crocheted...so **there are opportunities for all to participate!** Join us on **this Monday, March 17, from 9–11am.**

Consider being a part of this wonderful ministry; both the VA in Omaha and Orphan Grain Train look forward to receiving the mats!

OWL'S BIBLE STUDY

The OWL's Bible Study meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month. This study led by Mary Mohl is using the *Books of Faith Series* from Augsburg Fortress to study the New Testament book of Romans. **NOTE:** The group will not meet this week, but rather will meet next Wednesday, **March 26, at 10am** in the multipurpose room.

If you haven't been a part of our Bible Studies in the past, please consider joining us. You do not have to be 70 years old to participate; we welcome all ages of people and look forward to growing our group.

“YOU VISITED ME...”

The Visitation Ministry Group meets to sign and send cards to church members and to share a visit with friends. Please come and be a part of our Visitation Ministry Group. The group will meet on **Wednesday, March 19, at 1pm.**

For more information about this wonderful ministry, please contact Rhonda Blecke, Sandra Lutt or the church office.

HELP US UPDATE the church directory app...

It's the perfect resource to stay connected! We can add/change pictures in our online directory at any time and we'd love to update everyone's profile! If you have a new picture you'd like to use, simply email it to the church office (kris@oslcwayne.org) or there is also the option of uploading it yourself.

Get our church directory on your mobile device! Call and text members easily. Available for Android & Apple devices. Search for “**Instant Church Directory**” from your App Store. Once installed, you can create a login using your email listed in the directory.



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>.

SOFTBALL PASTA FEED

On Sunday, March 23, the Wayne Dirt Devils are hosting a Pasta Feed Fundraiser. The Dirt Devil softball players, along with the softball association members, will be serving pasta from 10:30am - 1:30pm that Sunday at the Wayne City Auditorium. To-go meals will be available as well! Tickets are \$10 each.

GOSPEL MESSAGE

March 16, 2025

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

Judgment in the Name of the Lord

Some of us in the room, likely more of us than we imagine, know what a conviction is like. We've had experience with a physical, undisputable, black-robed conviction, the kind handed down by a judge or jury. It's a statistical fact that nearly half of the American population is personally affected in some way by the criminal justice system. Those numbers are staggering; even more so is the weight of guilt that welds itself to the convicted one's shame like steel clenching iron. To be convicted, found guilty as charged, is no small matter.

It is with such certainty and severity that Jesus unleashes his anguish over Jerusalem—anger and grief that rail with the reverberations of a gavel's blow in the courtroom when words, sharpened for penetration, are pronounced from behind a high bench. Judgments can last a lifetime, and they intentionally have the power to change futures. Jesus was about the work of God, to change futures.

There is no courtroom, no black robe, and no jury of twelve peers in Luke's account of Jesus' encounter with some Pharisees. But there is an exacting judgment that rumbles like rolling boulders, a conviction meant to loiter hauntingly like shivering nightmares. Jesus' words prosecute with a burden that few gospel lines expose so solemnly; the accusations are decisive. His judgment falls on the religious.

No, we do not escape, do not get away by dismissing Jesus' words as ancient, frozen in a time long past, petrified among a people long gone, meant only for some others' failures—not our own. The judgment lives on. Pronounced then in the holy city, it ricochets even now through our sacred spaces and hallowed sanctuaries, aimed at the pious and devout who with self-appeasing righteousness look to tame God's word, rebuff God's scandalous mercies, silence God's voice, and break God's will.

The judgment: "How often. . . and you were not willing!" And yet, the promise: "Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord" (Luke 13:34-35).

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In Our Prayers. . . March 15 & 16, 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:

SPECIFIC PRAYER REQUESTS:

Health Concerns:

- For our friends with aging parents as they deal with new realities and hospital stays.
- 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 keeping us safe through the snowstorm.
- For Lent in Spring with both kinds of signs of new life coming.
- For the safe & healthy twins born to our granddaughter.

Deaths:

Other Prayers:

- 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 surely listened and heard my voice in prayer. Psalm 66:19

Worship Assistants

This Weekend (3/15 & 16)

Organist/Pianist: Connie Webber
5:30pm

Greeters-Paula Gemelke
LWA & CA-Jim Hansen
Acolyte-Tyler Daniels
Projection-Jim Hansen
Sound-Jim Hansen
Ushers-Rod & Melia Hefti
Altar Guild-Paula Gemelke, Julie/Jim Hansen,
Corliss Krusemark

10am

Greeters-Dorothy Wert
LWA & CA-Amelia Legler
CA-Karma Magnuson, Lynette Lentz
Acolyte-Serenity Victor
Projection-Gabriel Armstrong
Video-Kris Robinson
Sound-Jerry Robinson
Ushers-Tom Hansen, Tim & Trisha Peters
Altar Guild-Cynthia Miller, Trisha Peters

Wednesday (3/19) 7pm

Acolyte-Hadley Dunklau
Projection-
Sound-Jerry Robinson
Video-Kris Robinson
Ushers-Dave Anderson, Dave Olson, Brad
Wieland

Next Weekend (3/22 & 23)

Organist/Pianist: Connie Webber
5:30pm

Greeters-Amy Bloomquist, Sophia Petersen
LWA & CA-Grant Miller
Acolyte-Hadley Woehler
Projection-Margaret Hansen
Sound-
Ushers-Dave & Joan Baier
Altar Guild-No Communion

10am

Greeters-Tim & Trisha Peters
LWA-Dave Anderson
Acolyte-Mason Wendte
Projection-Amber Labenz
Sound-Trisha Peters
Video-Tom Hansen
Ushers-Steve McLagan, Ron Carnes, Alex
Phelps, Pete Reeg
Altar Guild-No Communion

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The Mission of Our Savior:
*That all may know Christ,
grow in Christ,
and joyfully go with Christ.*



Welcome

March 15 & 16, 2025
Second Sunday in Lent

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The People of Our Savior

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Rev. Chad Rademacher

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Order of Worship

Prelude
Welcome & Announcements
Gathering Song: ELW 831
Confession & Forgiveness
Greeting
Prayer of the Day
Hymn of Contemplation: ELW 727
Children's Time (Sun)
First Reading: page 11
Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18
Psalm: Psalm 27
Second Reading: page 1070
Philippians 3:17-4:1
Gospel Acclamation: ELW 188
Gospel: page 951
Luke 13:31-35
Message
Hymn of the Day: ELW 596
Creed
Prayers of Intercession
Sharing the Peace
Offering
Offering Song & Prayer
**Great Thanksgiving, Preface &
Holy, Holy, Holy**
Eucharistic Prayer
Lord's Prayer
Invitation to Communion
Blessing & Prayer after Communion
Parting Blessing
Sending Song: ELW 660
Dismissal
Postlude

End of Worship. Beginning of Service.