

# This Week at Our Savior – April 13-20

Sunday	Coffee w/Council / Fellowship Hour	9am
	Worship & Sunday School	10am
	Worship at Countryview	1:30pm
Monday	Sleeping Mat Ministry	9am
	Staff Meeting	10:30am
	VBS Planning Mtg	5:30pm
	Christian Ed Mtg	6pm
	Fellowship Mtg	6:30pm
	Church Council Mtg	7pm
Tuesday	Cluster Clergy Text Study	10am
	Worship at Kinship	3:30pm
Wednesday	OWL's Bible Study	10am
	Joyful Noise Rehearsal	6pm
	Charity Circle	7pm
Thursday	Maundy Thursday Worship	7pm
Friday	Good Friday Worship	7pm
Saturday	<b>no Saturday service this weekend!</b>	
Sunday	Easter Sunrise Service	7am
	<i>Easter breakfast will follow the service; served until 9:30am</i>	
	Easter Egg Hunt (south lawn)	9:30am
	Easter Festival Worship	10am
Monday	Office Closed	



## READINGS

The lectionary readings for April 20 are Acts 10:34-43; Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24; 1 Corinthians 15:19-26; Luke 24:1-12.

## 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!**

# Announcements

## WELCOME!

Hosanna to the Son of David! So sang people long ago as Jesus entered Jerusalem, and so sing we. Welcome to Palm Sunday worship.

**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 OFFERING JAR & 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.

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.**



## RADIO BROADCAST

In honor of Harold E. Thompson, Jr.'s 80<sup>th</sup> birthday. 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.

## WELCOME THE NEBRASKA BRASS BAND

We are honored to have the Nebraska Brass Band as our guest musicians for worship today. They are a group of 35 volunteers coming from many different backgrounds including university professors, principals, teachers, lawyers, engineers, music students, medical doctors, and active US military personnel from all areas of the state. Locals in the band are Josh Calkin, Brad Weber, and Michael Genslinger from Wayne and Randy Neuharth from Norfolk.

The group was conceived over lunch at a Runza restaurant in 2017. With an absence of a British style brass band to the local area, phone calls followed, and a brass band was born. Nebraska's premier brass band has a unique sound capable of playing whisper passages as well as powerful fortissimos. They will make a wonderfully meaningful addition to our worship service, contributing prelude, offertory, and postlude music as well as joining the organ with our hymns.

## 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.

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.



## WOMEN OF THE ELCA SPRING GATHERING

All women of the congregation are invited to attend the Women of the ELCA Spring Gathering on Saturday, April 26, at Atkinson. We especially hope to encourage young women in the congregation, who have never attended a Spring Gathering, to accept our invitation. It is a wonderful experience and an opportunity to meet other young women of faith. A sign-up sheet to carpool is at the information desk and registration forms are on the kiosk; registrations are due by April 18.



## EASTER LILIES

As always, we'd like to decorate the sanctuary with Easter lilies or other spring flowering plants. If you'd like to donate one in memory or in honor of someone, please contact the church office by Thursday, April 17.

## EASTER BREAKFAST

Easter Breakfast will be served in the church social room following the sunrise service until 9:30am. There is no cost for the meal; a freewill donation will be accepted. Pancakes, sausage and fruit will be served.

*A sign-up sheet for fruit, milk, juice and butter is at the information desk if you would like to help provide items for the breakfast.*

## 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, April 14, 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 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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. The group will meet Wednesday, April 16, at 10am in the multipurpose room.

You do not have to be "older" to participate; we welcome all ages of people and look forward to growing our group.

## DOLLAR DOOR OFFERING

The April Dollar Door Offering will go to the Carol Joy Holling Camp Scholarship Fund. Together our dollars can help send kids to camp!

## 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.



## HOLY WEEK & EASTER SCHEDULE

### Maundy Thursday

April 17

Worship: 7pm

with Holy Communion & Healing Prayers

### Good Friday

April 18

Worship: 7pm

*The movie "Passion of the Christ" will be shown in the sanctuary following the worship service.*

### Easter Sunday

April 20

Worship with Holy Communion

Sunrise Service: 7am

Easter Breakfast: following sunrise  
worship until 9:30am

Easter Egg Hunt: 9:30am

Festival Worship: 10am

**Please Note:** *There will not be a Saturday evening service on April 19.*

## PRAYER TIME

This month's "Prayer Time" in the April Newsletter features **Prayers for Holy Week**. "Holy Week is a time to encounter Christ more closely. We are called to 1) deepen our faith through prayer, reading the scriptures, and attending worship; 2) reflect on Christ's sacrifices; and 3) find ways to love one another as Jesus loved. Here are prayers and blessings to use during your quiet prayer time." Our Savior's Newsletter is mailed out each month; a copy can also be found on our website: [www.oslcwayne.org](http://www.oslcwayne.org).

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## GOSPEL MESSAGE

April 13, 2025

SUNDAY OF THE PASSION / PALM SUNDAY

### *Remember Us*

On this Sunday of the Passion, the gathered church remembers the final days of Jesus' life. Once the celebratory palm branches are set down, the mood shifts as the somber tones of betrayal and crucifixion take over. The Lukan narrative draws us into the details, and we remember the extent of God's passion for us as Jesus enters into the depths of suffering through divine selfless love poured out for the sake of the world.

There is power in remembering. To be sure, this is an exercise of memory and recall for us. Yet Holy Week is much more than that. In our remembering of Jesus' passion, our reality is re-membered with God's reality. Like members of a body, we are re-membered onto Christ, formed into one through the Spirit, and drawn into the reality of God's saving love. Through scripture, song, and prayer, the liturgy of this day re-members us as God's people as we bear witness to Jesus' remembrance of us.

In the culminating moment of the crucifixion, only Luke's gospel reports the exchange between the two criminals and Jesus. The one criminal chastises the other before he addresses the crucified Jesus, saying, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom" (Luke 23:42). The request is for more than an act of recall; the criminal is seeking to be re-membered in the dominion of God, seeking a fusion of realities—his with Jesus'. Without hesitation, Jesus responds, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise" (v. 43). The criminal will be *with* Jesus, re-membered to Jesus.

This Sunday we remember Jesus' passion as together we are joined to God's loving action for the world. Jesus' last breath on the cross is the moment when our reality is re-membered with God's, for Jesus remembers us, and paradise's reign is realized.

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## In Our Prayers... April 13, 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 those recovering from injury or illness.
- For those undergoing treatments for cancer and other health issues.

#### *Guidance:*

#### *Spiritual Healing/Strength:*

- For my friend just widowed at age 24.

#### *Prayer of Thanksgiving:*

#### *Deaths:*

- For those who've lost loved ones.
- For the family of Don & Judy Koenig, in the death of Judy's brother.

#### *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 (4/13)**

**Organist/Pianist:** Connie Webber  
10am

**Greeters-**Kevin & Teri Koenig

**LWA-Karma** Magnuson

**Acolyte-**Serenity Victor

**Projection-**Barb Stenwall

**Sound-**Jerry Robinson

**Video-**Kris Robinson

**Ushers-**Ron Magnuson, Kelvin Puntney,  
John & Noah Magnuson

**Altar Guild-**No Communion

**Thursday (4/17) 7pm**

**CA-**Lynette Lentz, Amy Bloomquist

**Acolyte-**Sophia Petersen

**Projection-**Melissa Rabbass

**Sound-**Jerry Robinson

**Video-**Kris Robinson

**Ushers-**Roger Lentz, Larry Lueders

**Altar Guild-**Dorothy Wert, Lynette Lentz

**Friday (4/18) 7pm**

**Acolyte-**Mason Wendte

**Projection-**

**Sound-**

**Video-**

**Ushers-**Tom Hansen, Tim & Trisha Peters

**Next Weekend (4/20)**

**7am-Sunrise Service**

**Greeters-**Peter's family

**LWA & CA-**Trisha Peters

**CA-**Sue Olson, Kim Dunklau

**Acolyte-**Hadley Dunklau

**Projection-**Leslie/Tyler Johnson

**Sound-**Amber Labenz

**Ushers-** Dave Anderson, Dave Olson,  
Brad Wieland

**Altar Guild-**Melia Hefti, Trisha Peters

**10am**

**Greeters-**Ron & Corliss Krusemark

**LWA & CA-**Madge Brufat

**CA-** Dorothy Wert, *volunteer*

**Acolyte-**Layton Becker

**Projection-**

**Sound-**Jerry Robinson

**Video-**Kris Robinson

**Ushers-**Steve McLagan, Ron Carnes, Alex  
Phelps, Pete Reeg

**Altar Guild-**Teri Koenig, Virginia Backstrom,  
Nancy Reinhardt

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## Our Savior Lutheran Church

**The Mission of Our Savior:**

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



## Welcome

**April 13, 2025**

**Palm/Passion Sunday**

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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

**Gathering Music** *NEBB*

**Prelude** *NEBB*

**Greeting/Gathering**

**Processional Gospel:** Luke 19:28-40

**Blessing of Palms**

**Processional Hymn:** ELW 344

**Prayer of the Day**

**Hymn of Praise:** *Hosanna, Loud  
Hosanna*

**Children's Time**

**First Reading:** pg. 667

Isaiah 50:4-9a

**Psalm:** pg. 495

Psalm 31:9-16

**Special Music** *Nebraska Brass Band*

**Second Reading:** pg. 1069

Philippians 2:5-11

**Hymn of the Day:** *Lift Up Your Heads,  
Ye Mighty Gates*

**Creed**

**Prayers of Intercession**

**Sharing the Peace**

**Offering**

**Special Music**

**Offering Song & Prayer**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**Gospel-Dramatic Reading**

Luke 22:1-23:56

**Musical Response** *Nebraska Brass Band*

**Parting Blessing**

**Sending Hymn:** ELW 660

**Dismissal**

**Postlude** *NEBB*